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NATIONALIST AGENCIES TO CEASE HK OPERATIONS

Central Trust, Banks Removing Cash Reserves FEAR OF RECOGNITION

The head offices of Central Trust and the Bank of China and other Nationalist government organs have quietly begun preparations to cease operations in Hong Kong and move to Taiwan and Hainan, reports United Press.



Lieutenant-General Sir E. C. Robert Mansergh, Hong Kong's new GOC-in-C, who arrives in the Colony today.

New GOC-in-C Arriving In Colony Today

Lieutenant-General Sir E. C. Robert Mansergh, KBE, CB, MC, recently appointed GOC-in-C Hong Kong in succession to Lieutenant-General F. W. Festing who returned to the United Kingdom for medical treatment, will arrive in the Colony by special RAF aircraft today.

General Mansergh, who is 49 years old, was commissioned in the Royal Artillery in 1920. He served in Iraq in 1931-33 during which time he was awarded the MC. In 1936-37, he was later appointed Adjutant. He was an active service throughout the war, mainly in the Middle and Far East. He was a Battery Commander 5th Indian Division 1940 in Eritrea; Abyssinia and later the Western Desert and for a short period he commanded the Airline base depot in Egypt. General Mansergh was promoted Colonel and later appointed CBA 5th Indian Division. In 1945 he commanded the 11th East African Division on the Burmese Frontier, later returning to command the 5th Indian Division in the victorious campaign against the Japanese culminating in the capture of Rangoon. General Mansergh was later appointed Director of the Territorial Army and since 1948 has been Military Secretary at the War Office.

THE WEATHER

At 6.00 GMT (3 p.m. HKST) a moderate, anticyclone is stationary over China. Depressions are centred to the NW of Hokkaido and to the S of Tokyo, both moving ENE. The tropical storm is almost stationary, about 250 miles E of N. Japan. Today's Forecast: Moderate NE winds, freshening in exposed places. Continuing fine and rather warm. Yesterday's Weather: Maximum 81.2 deg. F. Min. 61.2 deg. F. Sunshine 8.3 hours. Rainfall: Trace. Total since Jan. 1—1949: 11.7 mm. As against an average of 202.5 mm.—1945 to 1948.

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Their belief in early British recognition of the Communist regime at Peiping and fear of British agreement to hand over to the Communists all Central government holdings in Hong Kong and the New Territories prompted these agencies to speed up their plans to "evacuate" Hong Kong, according to unimpeachable sources.

It was learned that arrangements have already been quietly made by Central Trust, the Bank of China, the Kwangsi and Kwangtung Provincial banks and other agencies which the Nationalist government owns, wholly or in part, to begin the immediate removal of cash reserves, other valuable possessions and important archives.

High ranking personnel have been alerted to be prepared to leave when necessary. All employees of the two principal banks have been quietly notified of these plans, and those who prefer to sever their connections will receive nine months' severance pay. Those who decide to continue at their jobs will be given free transportation to Taiwan and Hainan.

The plans also call for skeleton staffs to remain until the time comes for a formal hand-over to Communist control. Commercial airlines in which the Nationalist government has an interest, particularly CNAC and CATC are making similar preparations. But they are handicapped by their financial condition, and are awaiting a final answer to an appeal to the government for funds with which to effect their transfer. With operations greatly reduced by the rapid Communist march, the normal revenue of the airlines has shrunk. The added cost of evacuation from those same areas further reduced their cash reserves, forcing them to appeal to Chiang Kai-shek for assistance. The Generalissimo was reported to have frowned on the figures given to him on the evacuation costs, but at the same time he neither denied or granted the request.

The airlines, it was said, are still awaiting his decision before they can make definite plans. Construction work on the new Bank of China building here which was still in the excavation and pile-driving stage will continue. A high bank official said that financing of construction has already been completed, and that it would serve no purpose to halt construction "as bad as we hate to hand it over to the Reds."

Chinese Embassy Statement

Meanwhile in Washington, the Chinese Embassy said it had received from the Chinese High Military Command the following message: "Recent reports published in the American press appear to attribute the military reverses suffered by the Chinese Government troops in Central and South China to refusal or reluctance on the part of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek to release sufficient military supplies and funds alleged to be under his control in Taiwan to support the Government troops fighting the Communists on their fronts. These reports are completely unfounded. The distribution of military supplies has always been in accordance with overall plans and orders of the Ministry of National Defence. The allocation of funds for the army has always been made by the Ministry of Finance under the order of the Executive Yuan in accordance with the approved government budget. General Yen Hsi-shan, president of the Executive Yuan, had made repeated statements to this effect during recent weeks. The fight against Communist aggression in China today is being carried on with grim determination but under most difficult conditions. Shortage of funds and

Reds Moving On Kweichow

The Chinese Communists were moving up to the Kweichow border from Chihkiang in West Hunan and continued to drive towards the North of the Yangtze River in Shensi Province in an expected two-pronged offensive on Kweichow and Szechuan. The Kweichow border thrust was in two directions—from Chihkiang and Tsinchuan. The Northern drive appeared to be developing along the highway South Eastward in the direction of Changtu. One hundred thousand Nationalists under General Hu Chung-nan form the sole Government force in the way of an estimated 300,000 Communists under General Peng Teh-hui. The fighting in Kwangsi province was centred at Tungan, 100 miles North West of Kweichow. Officials of the Kwangsi provincial government fled the capital to Yunming in the South-United Press.

Defence Cuts Included In Economy Plan

London, October 19. The British Cabinet leaders were strongly pressed to include defence cuts in their proposed economic crisis programme, at today's secret meeting of the 392 strong Parliamentary Labour Party. Demands were also made for a slashing of costs in the administration of nationalised industries. The leaders left the members with the impression that the economy measures to be announced on Monday will be sweeping. They made it clear that every department in the government will be affected by the cuts. This led sections which have pressed for a review of defence costs to assume that the armed forces are included. The Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, gave the crowded meeting a general background of the economic situation and Mr. Herbert Morrison, Deputy Prime Minister, wound up the debate. Sir Stafford Cripps, Chancellor of the Exchequer, also attended. The government leaders, who did not disclose the details of the proposed cuts or the total savings estimated, were seeking a united party backing ahead of the cuts announcement. Recent views expressed by government followers suggested that they were prepared to support the new programme, however rigorous, provided that it was on a basis of absolute equality. The big test for the government will come next Tuesday within 24 hours of the announcement of the cuts—when the leaders will orally meet the rank and file to receive the reaction. Reuter.

Sterling Area Deal With Japan

Tokyo, October 19. A two-way trade arrangement between the Sterling countries and Japan for the inter-change of approximately £140,000,000 worth of raw materials and manufactures and possibly food during 1949/50 has been virtually agreed on, it was learned here. The new arrangement will mean increased shipment of Sterling Area wool, petroleum rubber and iron ore to Japan in exchange for Japanese textiles and steel products. A British trade official stated that Japan would buy at least £55,000,000 worth of goods from five Sterling countries participating in the arrangement, namely the United Kingdom, Australia, New Zealand, India and Ceylon. These five countries would purchase £10,000,000 less from Japan. It is believed probable that another approximately £40,000,000 worth of trade would be conducted. The bulk of this would be with Sterling Area countries not participating in the arrangement, for example, Burma, Pakistan, Iraq, Iran.

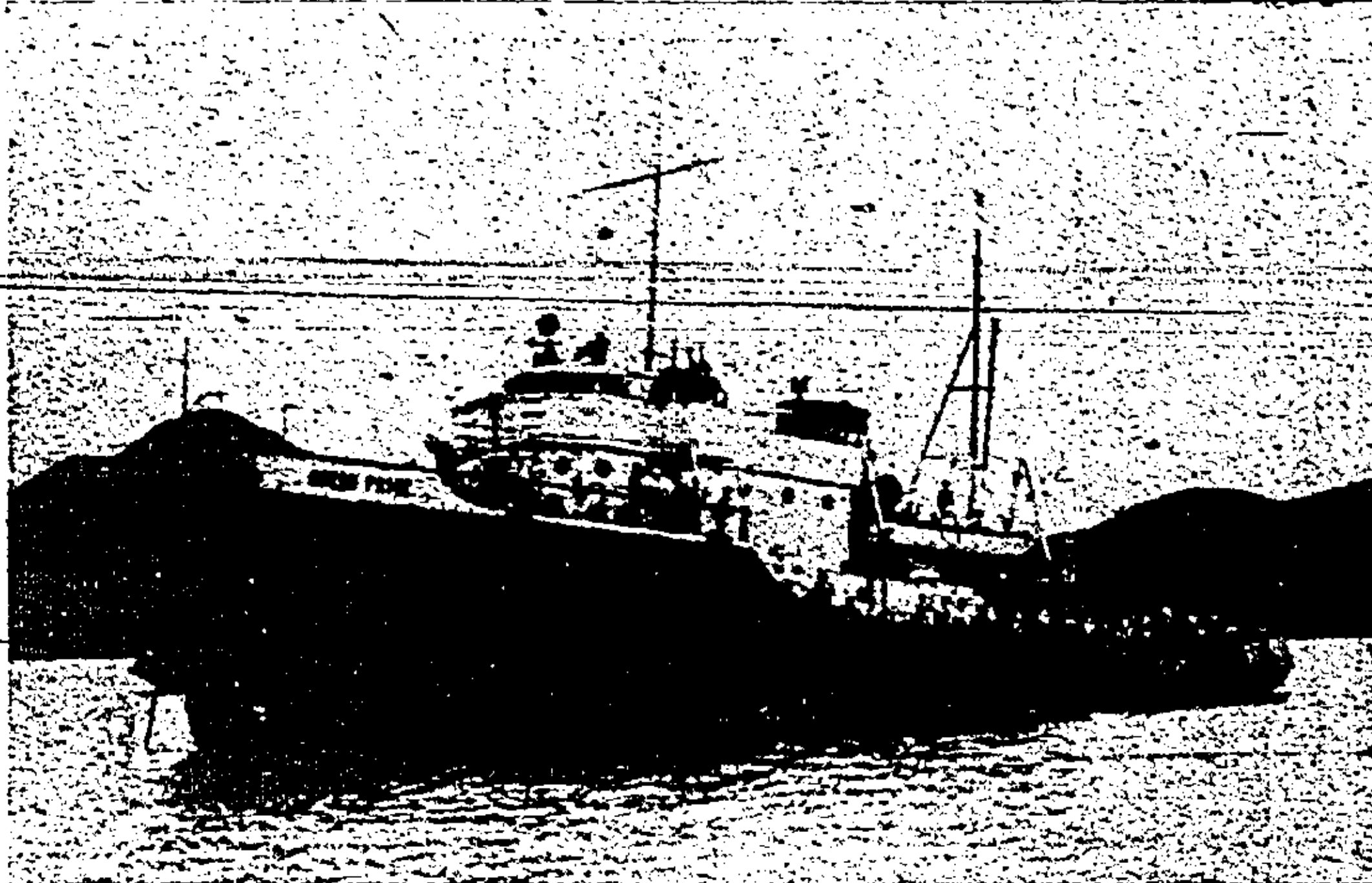
Announcement Soon

A Sterling Area spokesman stated that a joint announcement by the Sterling Area and General MacArthur's trade negotiators would be made "very soon." The announcement, which was expected to be made nearly two weeks ago, is believed to have been held up for ratification of the various Government by minor details. It would mean the elimination within agreed limits of Sterling Area dollar spending, which threatened to cut down Sterling Area imports from Japan to the barest possible minimum. The remaining two United Kingdom trade negotiators, Mr. Alan Gilbert, Board of Trade representative, and Mr. Douglas Henley, of the Treasury, will leave Tokyo by air on October 20 for the United Kingdom. Australia wool exports to Japan would be increased at least 50 to 100 per cent as a result of the new Sterling Area-Japan trade arrangement for 1949/50, it was predicted—Reuter.

AMETHYST DAY IN MALTA

Valletta, October 19. Admiral Sir Arthur Power, Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean, opened Amethyst Day in Malta today with a visit to the frigate which sails for Britain tomorrow after a two day stay. In an informal address to the men, he warned them that the next few weeks "full glare of publicity" would be a bigger test than "galloping down the Yangtze." Lieutenant-Commander J. S. Karas and other officers of the frigate were being entertained to cocktails at the Casino Maltese. Later, they and the men were attending a lunch at the Vernon United Services Club. Tonight there will be a gala dance at the club where all profits will go to the Amethyst fund and the government will entertain the officers at Sananton Palace for cocktails—Reuter.

Nationalist Troopship In Hong Kong Harbour



The ss. Ocean Pride is shown above at anchor in Junk Bay following her arrival here at 4.30 p.m. yesterday with 150 armed Nationalist troops aboard. Marine Police Launch No. 2 is standing by the vessel to see that the troops are not disembarked here. The troops were evacuated from Samun, near Mira Point at the South Eastern end of Mira Bay—"China Mail" photo.

British Captain Refused To Evacuate Nationalist Troops

The adamant refusal of the British master of the ss. Kwong Fook Cheung "to take a chance down the West River without adequate bunker coal and proper pilot" from Kongmoon to Tsam Kong to evacuate retreating Nationalist soldiers evidently frustrated plans of the Nationalist Armed Forces. For three days—October 15 to October 18—the 600-ton British river steamer berthed alongside Pak Ki Wharf under armed guard while negotiations to transport the troops went on between high-ranking Nationalist officers of General Yu Han-mow and Mr. P. W. Grieson, veteran master of the Kwong Fook Cheung.

She was released on Tuesday afternoon. To ensure her safe arrival in British waters, the master took the Macao-Kongmoon route and thence to Hong Kong. She arrived yesterday without incident en route. Four principal reasons were given for the refusal of the master to comply with the military request.

1. The Kwong Fook Cheung did not have enough bunker coal to make the 250-mile trip to Tsam Kong from the main West River port. Fuel was very scarce in Kongmoon.

2. There was no available pilot to guide the steamer through the dangerous channels and islets en route.

3. The Kwong Fook Cheung is a river vessel and is not suitable for the open sea trip to Tsam Kong.

4. The route was not very safe under the circumstances. She was liable to attacks by either Communist guerrillas or pirates.

Chinese Navy Agrees. Mr. Grieson communicated with a Chinese Navy gunboat in the Kongmoon area and explained the circumstances. The officer in command informed the Briton that he agreed with the fact that the river steamer was not suitable to make the journey.

This was apparently ignored by the shore authorities, who pressed their requests till they finally gave up on Tuesday afternoon and released the British vessel.

Relating the incident, an official said that the Kwong Fook Cheung left the Colony on her normal schedule with 550 passengers and fully loaded with cargo for Kongmoon on October 14. "We arrived at Pak Ki Wharf on Saturday morning and discharged all cargo and passengers boarded the ship," he related. "The officers told us that under the present emergency situation they would like to make use of the Kwong Fook Cheung for evacuation purposes to Tsam Kong."

MAYER TRYING TO FORM CABINET

Paris, October 19. Mr. Rene Mayer, Radical Socialist and former Finance Minister, was named Premier designate today, accepting the presidential assignment to try to form a coalition cabinet—United Press.

RED REGULARS NOT TAKING UP BORDER POSTS

No regular Chinese Communist troops are to occupy the Chinese-British border area, Communist General Chen Keng told Nationalist officers in Sheklung yesterday.

More than 1,000 Nationalist soldiers in the Shumchun area will resume their duties in the Shumchun and Shataukok areas after a two weeks indoctrination and re-organisation course under Communist officers in Sheklung.

The Nationalist soldiers are to leave Shumchun by rail for Sheklung either today or tomorrow.

General Chen Keng reached his decision yesterday morning after two days of conferences with Nationalist officers from Shumchun, and after having been advised by highest Communist political leaders in Canton.

British army light infantry patrols continued their manoeuvres in the border zone yesterday, accompanied by frontier police.

The police, who are still in complete charge of the border zone, act as interpreters for the patrols, and instruct the troops on topographical conditions in the border zone.

Communist guerrillas still control the police activities in the Shumchun, Shataukok areas.

Customs Personnel

Chinese Customs personnel in the Shumchun Customs building have followed the orders of the Communist representatives, who told them last week not to destroy their records, and to stand by for further instructions from the Canton authorities.

A sixteen-seat motor rail car left Shumchun for Sheklung yesterday afternoon, carrying two Nationalist officers, and civilian passengers.

A Nationalist officer, who returned from Sheklung yesterday, said that the Communist officers had advised the Canton government that there was now no military objection to the earliest resumption of railway service between Canton and Shumchun.

A Shumchun Communist officer said yesterday that though regular Communist soldiers would not enter the city, a mass celebration would be held for the re-indoctrinated Nationalist troops when they arrive back in Shumchun under Communist jurisdiction.

Trade, and the Chinese traffic over the border, returned to normal yesterday.

Planes Make Swatow Flights

One CATC and one CNAC aircraft made two round trips to Swatow from the Colony yesterday despite the fact that the Chinese Communists were only a few miles away from the city.

According to passengers who arrived here from the Chinese city, most Nationalist troops in Swatow have already withdrawn to transports which were in Solley and Mr. Konni Zillman, Left-wing "rebels" expelled from the Labour Party, who recently sent a telegram of greetings to Mao Tse-tung, Chinese Communist leader.

Conditions in Swatow are still normal. Gunfire was faintly audible at Swatow's airfield.

Shanghai Evacuees Arriving

The two British "mercy" steamers—Wing Sang (Jardine, Matheson) and Shengking (Butterfield and Swire)—are due to arrive here tomorrow with foreign evacuees from Shanghai.

The Wing Sang will disembark 150 passengers at the West Point Wharf and the Shengking will berth alongside Custodian Wharf.

Among the Wing Sang arrivals are 25 sailors, 23 Chinese First Class three poop and 92 steerage passengers. The nationality was not specified in cables reaching the local office yesterday.

The ship carries no cargo. No details regarding the passengers aboard the B. and S. steamer were available last evening.

British Doctor Flown Into Red Territory

A British leprosy specialist was flown into Chinese Communist-held territory near Shanwei, about 10 miles North East of the Colony, on Sunday by Mr. A. S. Hall of the Far Eastern Flying and Training School.

Answering a call received from a British mission hospital there, Dr. Duncan Fraser was landed on the beach near the Red-held town of Shimson-se-pai, near Marco Polo.

Mr. Hall said that the plane left the Colony at about dawn on Sunday and after landing the passenger he immediately returned to Hong Kong.

MOTION TABLED ON RECOGNITION

London, October 19. The five members of the Independent Labour group in the House of Commons have tabled a motion urging the recognition of the Communist Government of China.

The members are Mr. D. N. Pritt, Mr. Lester Hutchinson, Mr. John Platts Mills, Mr. Leslie Solley and Mr. Konni Zillman, Left-wing "rebels" expelled from the Labour Party, who recently sent a telegram of greetings to Mao Tse-tung, Chinese Communist leader.

No date has been fixed for discussing the motion—Reuter.

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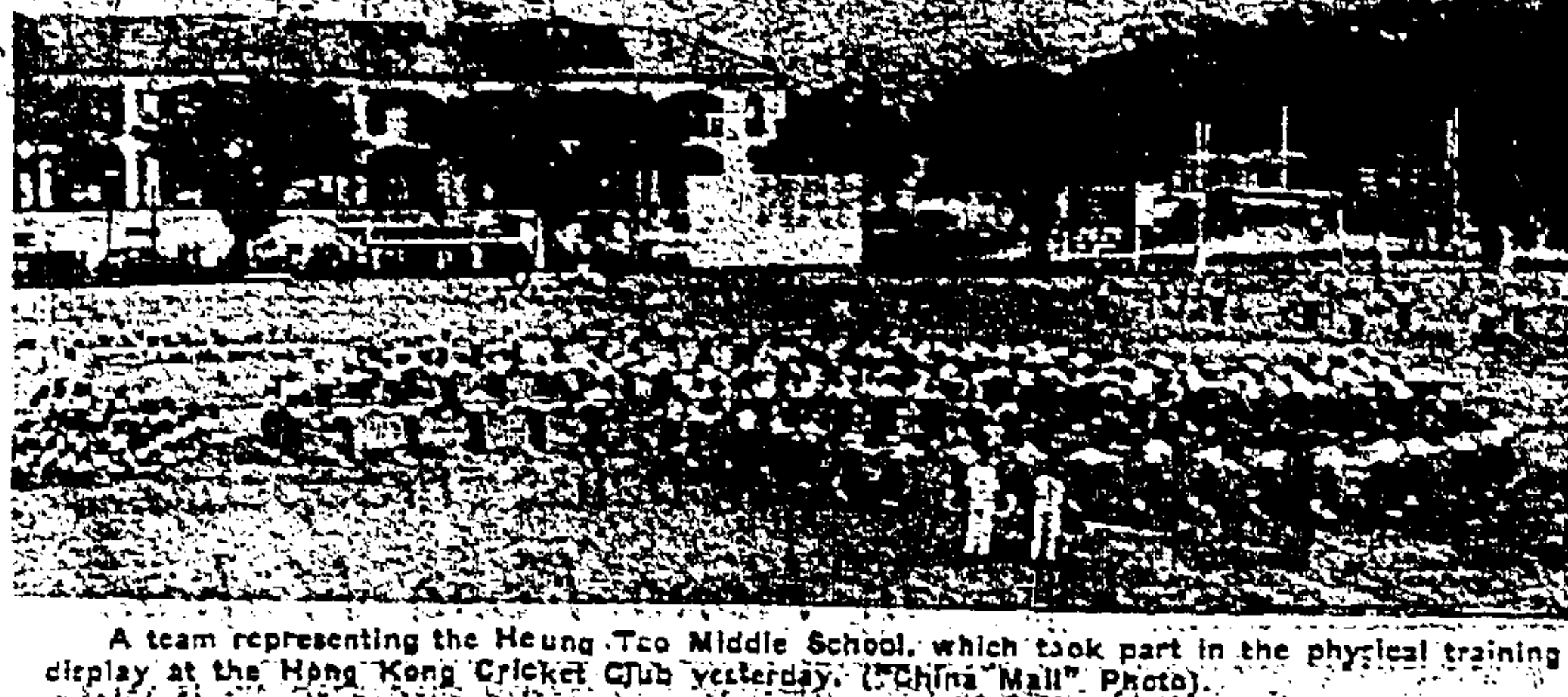
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Schools Hold Display To Mark UN Week

On the occasion of the current United Nations Week, a colourful physical training display by various schools in the Colony was held yesterday afternoon at the Hong Kong Cricket Club ground.

The display, described as one of Physical Education and Recreative Activities, was sponsored by the Rotary Club of Hong Kong in co-ordination with the Director of Education.

The Band of the Third Royal Marine Commando Brigade, under the direction of Mr. A. C. White, was in attendance.

The programme included selected music by the band, a training display by the Kowloon Tong Primary School, Chinese boxing by the Heung Kau Middle School, country dancing by the St. Paul's Girls' School, vaulting done by La Salle College, and some traditional Chinese dancing by the Heung To Middle School.

The display culminated with the presentation of a flag to each of the school teams participating. Among the large crowd present was Mr. D. L. Stretcher, in charge of the Rotary's International Committee, Mr. J. F. Nicoll, Colonial Secretary, Mr. E. J. S. Tso, chairman of the Kowloon Rotary Club, Mr. K. L. Rankin, United States Consul-General, Mr. R. E. Jones, French Consul, Mr. Leslie Gibson, Chief Justice, and Lady Gibson, Comptroller and Mrs. Brownfield, Mr. J. B. Kite, Mr. Y. K. Mok and many others.

Nationalist Troops Evacuated From West River Area

Some 100,000 retreating Nationalist soldiers are being evacuated from the West River area Southward to Tsam Kong (Kwongchow) and Hainan Island by junks, motor launches, river vessels and every available means of sea transportation.

This was revealed by personnel of the British river steamer Kwong Fook Cheung, which reached the Colony yesterday without incident after being detained at Kongmoon for three days by Nationalist forces.

Members of the Chinese crew asserted that they procured their information from Nationalist officers who attempted to commandeer the British ship to evacuate their men to Tsam Kong, formerly known as Kwongchow.

Kongmoon, principal West River port which supplies the Colony with a considerable amount of fresh vegetables, eggs, poultry and other fresh farm produce, was until Tuesday evening still in Nationalist hands.

"The place was bristling with armaments and fully-armed soldiers, all waiting to be evacuated to a safer area," said a senior member of the Compradore Staff who played a part in the negotiations between the Nationalist officers and the ship's personnel.

There were only a few civilians in the streets. The shops were open. Soldiers packed every inch of space along the waterfront and the adjoining streets.

The harbour was infested with river craft of every kind, ranging from sampans to river steamers. All were commandeered for the evacuation.

Several gunboats of the Chinese Nationalist Navy were patrolling the vicinity—apparently keeping vigilance against marauding pirates and Communist troops.

Communist Post
Nationalist outposts still control areas around the Pakki (Kongmoon) Chinese Maritime Customs Station and the Wang Tsan CMC Station. But between the two stations the route is now infested with guerrillas and pirates.

"There was a Communist post somewhere down the West River. We saw the new five-star flag flying over the station. The Reds did not trouble our ship," the informant declared.

There was no sign of fighting in the Kongmoon area, he said. For the past few days and during detention of the Kwong Fook Cheung (October 15 to October 18) hundreds of soldiers trickled into Kongmoon.

Most of them were herded towards the West River area from Canton and Fatsan to be shipped out to Hainan Island, whence many thousands are being transhipped to Taiwan.

No Panic
A conspicuous feature of the troops was that the Nationalists, besides being well-armed, were calm and appeared indifferent to the emergency evacuation.

"Another thing that struck me was the conditions of the armaments. They looked new and well kept," remarked.

Unlike other emergency evacuations, the soldiers did not betray any sign of panic as they embarked on the numerous small native craft and larger river steamers, all of which were packed to capacity.

Committed For Trial On Murder Charge
Committal proceedings against Wong Yui, alias Ko Lo, earth collector, who faced a murder charge, were completed yesterday at Central and he was ordered by Mr. A. D. Scholes to stand trial at the next Criminal session at the Supreme Court.

Before his trial at the Supreme Court, however, Wong is faced with two charges of armed robbery and possession of arms before Mr. Scholes on October 24.

He was alleged to have committed these offences in Sha Tin in June.

Wong, together with others not in custody, was alleged to have killed Ng Yuet, the wife of the proprietor of a barber shop in Pooknam Village on August 2 in an attempted armed robbery.

General Rise Of Prices Deplored By Economist

"It is deplorable, however accustomed one may be to the general lack of civic sense or commercial conscience in the Colony, to hear of what should be responsible institutions asserting that devaluation obliges them to make an immediate and general rise of prices." These remarks were made by Dr. E. Stuart Kirby, Lecturer in Economics at Hong Kong University, in a talk before the debating group at the European YMCA last night.

Dr. Kirby said he wondered what these institutions would say if the Government, having raised the rate of tax, proposed to tax them on their last year's income at this year's rate of tax.

Dr. Kirby said in part: "The devaluation has reduced by 30% the official rate at which the pound sterling will exchange for American dollars. It is only the relation to the American dollar that is primarily and directly involved. Purchases that are made in for in American dollars may legitimately cost more; but only those made and paid for after September 30."

"I hope the public will resist to the utmost any price increases (1) the goods which are not priced in American dollars, (2) on any dollar goods which obviously come out of existing stocks, and evidently left the shores of America well before September 18."

"It is deplorable, however accustomed one may be to the general lack of civic sense or commercial conscience in the colony, to hear of what should be responsible institutions asserting that devaluation obliges them to make an immediate and general rise of prices. One wonders what the authors of such a proposal would say if the Government, having raised the rate of tax, proposed to tax them on their last year's income at this year's rate of tax."

"Another thing that the merchant should be asked to consider is that the present stock at the old rates, but of course when he comes to renew his stock he will have to buy at the new rates."

It is in any case pretty specious to such representations the consumer may reply, in the first place, that he does not see why he should make a present of money to help the dealer to carry on his business in future.

No Case
He might also ask the trader how he would like being taxed extra on this year's earnings on the ground that he was expected to earn more next year. There is no case whatever for any increase on these grounds in prices which have no hard currency content or associations whatever.

Do not think there is any other place in the world where such suggestions would be tolerated for a moment, either by public opinion or by official class goingness. Even in the case of dollar goods from America, itself, few consumers have I hope, any illusions as to what a large share of imports have prior to devaluation, actually been paid at "free" rates.

The new rate brings our currency exactly to the rate that was freely being quoted in the money shops; the price of the goods concerned should remain just the same. "In the case of the home country, Britain, which is largely and necessarily dependent on imports from gold dollar sources, devaluation does mean inevitably, and soon, a rise in the cost of these imports. This is the case of all means also an immediate stimulus to exports from Britain to hard currency areas. British products are now 30% cheaper from the point of view of the American or the Swiss. This is a temporary

Hole In Road



A hole measuring about two feet in diameter by nine inches deep in the roadway between the Star Ferry Pier and Queen's Pier, about 10 feet from the Praya, wall, caused no little excitement among passers-by yesterday afternoon.

It was caused by this portion of the road surface sagging in for looking down the hole, one could see that the surrounding area below the road surface was hollow. "China Mail" photo.

Trafalgar Day Ceremony At HKCC

Trafalgar Day tomorrow will be marked by the Beating of the Retreat at the Hong Kong Cricket Club.

The Royal Marine Bands taking part will be those of HMS Belfast and 3 Commando Brigade, RM-A Royal Marine Guard, will be paraded from HMS Belfast.

Ticket Holders: White Tickets: Red Corners: Entrance by Jackson Road gate at the side of the Clubhouse. Pink and Blue Green Tickets: Entrance by Chater Road gate at the side of the Clubhouse. Blue and White Tickets: Entrance by Jackson Road gate (opposite end of Des Voeux Road).

Non-Ticket Holders: Officers in uniform and accompanied families: Entrance by Chater Road gate at side of Clubhouse. Ratings and other ranks in uniform and accompanied families: Entrance by Jackson Road gate. General Public: Murray Road gate near corner of Murray Road. Hong Kong Cricket Club members are requested to use the main entrance to the Clubhouse. Gates will be opened at 5.45 p.m. and spectators are requested to be in their places by 6.15 p.m. Vehicles will not be permitted to park in Jackson Road after 5 p.m.

Personalia

Departures from the Peninsula Hotel on Tuesday were Mrs. E. Westphalen, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. M. D. Edwards, Mrs. F. C. McCarthy, Messrs. W. L. McCall, F. W. Edwards, W. Kirkwood, W. R. Laughlin, T. M. Miller, V. Y. Chinn, J. Forte, R. W. Morgan, M. E. McEwan, and T. E. Barget.

Among the new arrivals at the Peninsula Hotel on Tuesday were Mrs. E. Westphalen, Mr. and Mrs. Ling Hon-wai, Mr. and Mrs. D. Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. W. Z. Myers, Messrs. H. H. Pierce, R. E. A. Canagher, D. C. Gentry, L. Castillejo, N. Tomas, M. Bernad, D. Boyd, and J. E. Velasco.

CLASSES RESUMED AT LA SALLE

More than 900 students have now resumed their studies at the La Salle College's new site although it is not yet entirely completed. Classes resumed on Monday. Situated on a vacant lot behind some houses on Argyle Street, opposite the Kowloon Hospital, the school is now using four of its six blocks of buildings.

OPIMUM SMOKERS FINED

Six persons were fined by Mr. A. D. Scholes at Central yesterday on a charge of smoking opium at 22 Chung Street.

Correspondence

The Editor takes no responsibility for views expressed in letters by correspondents, and no means necessarily agrees with them.

Good Manners

Sir,—If I were ever asked whether there is such a word as "gentleman" in the dictionary, my answer would be that that word only existed in pre-war days, when men were really "gentlemen." However, this word does not seem to apply any more to "man."

I have, on several occasions, seen with my very own eyes crowded trains and buses where 90 per cent of the passengers were men (seated, of course) and a rush of lunch-hour to get pregnant woman or a woman carrying a child would be standing or trying to keep balance. Did any one of these "gentlemen" get up for the poor old woman, or the pregnant woman, or the woman carrying the child? In some (but very seldom) instances a "gentleman" would reluctantly give up his seat for the weaker sex.

It so happened lately that a certain woman was trying (in a rush of lunch-hour) to get up a train. This woman had her hand already on the rail of the train door. Now a certain "gentleman" pushed his way before her, so that her arm got interlocked with his, and the train driver had started the train going. Consequently, this poor woman had her arm dragged and almost had it broken had it not been for some real "gentleman" who helped her recover her handbag and her arm.

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Canton Man Gaoled For Possession Of Forged HK Banknotes

One hundred and forty-nine counterfeit \$100 bills purporting to be of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank formed the focal point of a trial yesterday at the Criminal Sessions before the senior Puisne Judge, Mr. Justice Williams.

Pang Tin-kin, who described himself as assistant manager of a Canton grocery store, was given four years' hard labour when an all-men jury unanimously found him guilty of possession of the forged bank notes, which were brought over from Canton inside a suitcase.

The notes, still bright red and quite crisp, had evidently not been circulated as yet. They were found concealed in Pang's suitcase by the Revenue officers when his train arrived in Kowloon.

Mr. A. Hooton, Crown Counsel, assisted by Detective Sub-Inspector Dow, prosecuted. The accused was not legally represented.

Mr. Hooton told the Court that the accused came to Kowloon on August 18 by the express. On getting off at the station, he was approached by Revenue officers to declare. He replied in the negative.



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Fresh fish average prices realised at the Hong Kong Fish Wholesale Market, Kennedy Town, yesterday follow:—

Type of Fish	First Quality	Average
Yellow Croaker	61.25	61.61
White Pomfret (large)	2.50	2.61
Mackerel (small)	1.47	1.50
Conner Pike	1.25	1.50
Star Tail	1.01	1.50

Ordinance On Deportation Of Aliens Explained

Communications With Canton Still Severed

Land, sea, air and telegraphic communications between Hong Kong and Canton were still severed yesterday.

Resumption of the railway service depends on the report of the trial run which was expected to be made yesterday on the Chinese Section.

Reminders

Today
Kowloon Rotary Club luncheon at Peninsula Hotel, 12.30 p.m.
Kowloon Rotary Club luncheon, talk on "It's in the Air" by Captain John Varley, Peninsula Hotel, 12.30 p.m.
Y's Men's Club of Hong Kong Ladies Night at Cosmo Club, 7.30 p.m.
Oil Paintings Exhibition at the St. John's Cathedral Hall, 10 a.m.
HK Women's International Club, Tombola for Services Personnel, Gloucester Building.

Pickpocket Told To Turn Over A New Leaf

Brought before Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central yesterday on two charges of larceny from person and a breach of deportation order, Chan Yau, 23-year-old coolie, was sentenced to 18 months' imprisonment and re-banishment for life. Defendant who was banished for life last year, was convicted on the charge of stealing \$35 and a fountain pen from the person of Pang Miao-sang on September 11 near the Tai Koo Sugar Refinery. Telling defendant that his character is very well known to Hong Kong police, Mr. Lo advised him to start life afresh in China after his term is served. "In your native district of Chung Yuen, a lot of peanuts are grown, why not go into it and turn over a new leaf?" the Court advised.

Ticket Scalper Murder Trial

Cross-examination of Chan Kang-chuen, second accused, who alleged that he was beaten up during interrogation by the police, took up the entire 12th day of the Ticket Scalper murder trial yesterday.

The accused, replying to question from Mr. M. H. Kwan, Counsel, re-affirmed his statements as to having been struck in the back by a detective while being questioned by Detective Sub-Inspector M. J. G. Saul through an interpreter.

He further alleged that he was made to sign a certain statement without having had the chance to read through it.

Jointly charged with murder in company with the accused are Chan Kam-chuen, Kwang Hung, Leung Kau and Li Wing. They are alleged by the prosecution to have participated in an armed attack on three ticket scalpers outside the China Theatre, Wanchai, on May 1, in which the death of one of them, Chan Hoi, occurred.

The second accused stated under cross-examination that when he was taken before Detective Sub-Inspector Saul in the latter's office after being beaten, Liu Chong, one of the detectives there, stood behind him.

"Accused alleged that each time he seemed to hesitate in replying to questions previously 'thought' him," Liu would call his attention by striking him in the small of the back.

In answer to a suggestion by Crown Counsel that there would have been many marks found on him if all the beatings he had alleged had been true, accused urged that the marks would disappear after several days and would thus leave no sign.

Simplification of the present procedure for the deportation of aliens was the reason given by the Attorney General, Mr. J. B. Griffin, for the Ordinance further to amend the Deportation of Aliens Ordinance 1935.

Mr. Griffin introduced the Ordinance in Legislative Council yesterday for first reading.

Mr. Griffin explained that under the principal Ordinance the Governor in Council was empowered summarily to issue a deportation order against any person whom he might find to be an alien, and he could do so in three main cases, mentioned in section 3, viz:—

"If an alien has been deported or banished from the United Kingdom or any colony, and is again found to be an alien, and is in special cases the Governor in Council deems it to be conducive to the public good to make a summary deportation."

"Honourable members will recall that the principal Ordinance was amended by Ordinance No. 58 of 1948, to make it possible for a Court, in addition to or in place of a sentence, to make a deportation order against an alien if he has not been resident in the Colony for a consecutive period of one year immediately before conviction," said Mr. Griffin.

Much Delay

"Since that Ordinance was amended in 1948, the administrative machinery employed for the operation of the principal Ordinance has been under examination, and notably it has been examined by the Advisory Commission on Methods."

"The machinery in vogue entailed considerable amount of work and consequential delay in the preparation of deportation orders in regard to the very considerable number of aliens who at the present time become subject to deportation."

"Furthermore, all such papers require to be circulated to members of the Executive Council, and examination of such papers engenders a considerable amount of time on members of that Council."

"It is now the case that deportation tends in the majority of cases to be ordered in every case where there has been conviction of an offence of the nature described in the first schedule to the Bill before Council."

"In these circumstances consideration has led to the view that the process of deportation in the case of aliens could be simplified by rendering deportation in the conviction of offences of a nature mentioned in the first schedule of the Bill, has taken place."

Safeguards

"Accordingly clause 3 of the Bill provides for the repeal and replacement of section 8 of the principal Ordinance so as to empower a competent authority, that is to say, an individual officer to order deportation of aliens of the category I have described."

"In so providing it will be noticed that the proposed new section preserves safeguards against deportation of any person who is not an alien, and providing for due investigation of claims against deportation on the grounds, for instance, of long residence in the Colony."

"The new section would provide for investigation of such special cases and advice thereon to be tendered by two members of the Executive Council, the Attorney General and the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, who under the present procedure are in the main concerned with tendering advice to Your Excellency and the Executive Council in matters relating to deportation."

"I wish to stress, however, that the procedure proposed in the new section 3 will in no way detract from the power vested in the Governor in Council by section 3 of the principal Ordinance to deport any alien notwithstanding that he may not have been convicted of an offence named in the schedule to this Bill."

"The procedure now proposed by the new section 3 will, as anticipated, greatly reduce the administrative and clerical work at present entailed by the present deportation procedure, and reduce the time at present required for consideration and attention of the members of the Executive Council."

"The only other provision of the Bill which is of substantial importance is clause 5 which provides for amendment to section 13 of the principal Ordinance in such a way as to simplify the procedure for deportation in the rather frequent cases which occur, of an alien returning to the Colony while a deportation order in regard to him is still in force."

"Finally, clause 6 of the Bill takes cognizance of the changes which have been effected by the British Nationality Act, 1948, in regard to protected persons. To conform to that legislation it is necessary to provide, as by clause 6, that protected persons shall not be subject to deportation as aliens, but will be subject to provisions of the Deportation (British Subjects) Ordinance, 1935."

"The motion was carried unanimously after it was seconded by the Colonial Secretary, Mr. J. B. Griffin."

Colourful Military Ceremony

On three separate occasions during the next month the Colony is to enjoy a colourful military ceremony based on a tradition of independence and the spirit of the new era.

Spectators will hear a massed formation of drums, pipes and bagpipes beating the retreat, first on the Hong Kong Racecourse at 6.30 p.m. on Saturday after the last race has been run, at the Kowloon Cricket Club at 6 p.m. on the following Saturday, and on Wednesday November 2 at the Hong Kong Cricket Club at 5.45 p.m.

Taking part in the ceremony will be the band of the 1st Bn. the Middlesex Regt, the band of the 1st Bn. the Royal Leicestershire Regt, and the pipes and drums band of the 1st Bn. the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders.

All part of the 27th Infantry Brigade, they will be under the direction of Bandmaster J. Purcell, ARCA, and appear for the public by kind permission of Brigadier B. A. Coad, DSO, Commanding 27th Brigade, Lt. Col. S. Field, OC, 1st Royal Leicesters, Lt. Col. A. Man. OBE, OC 1st Bn. Middlesex and Lt. Col. G. L. Neilson, OC 1st Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders.

The second reading of the Bill to control representatives of foreign states other than accredited representatives, was deferred yesterday on the application of the Attorney General, Mr. J. B. Griffin, who explained that since the Bill was introduced amendments had come up which required further consideration.

Legislative Council passed the Bill regarding the Naturalisation Ordinance 1902.

The Bill to amend the Criminal Procedure Ordinance 1899 passed its first reading. The Attorney General said he had no comments to make beyond those given in the Objects and Reasons attached to the Bill.

Council also approved the by-laws passed by the Urban Council on May 27 under section 5 of the Public Health (Food) Ordinance 1935, which empowered the Urban Council to exercise control over the sale of certain foodstuffs by hawkers, as a preventive against cholera.

Council adjourned for a week.

Woman Fined For Disturbing Tenants

A conviction was registered against Mrs. Hoi Ying of 12A Humphreys Avenue by Mr. F. X. D'Almada yesterday after hearing concluded on a summons served on defendant charging her with having disturbed the tranquility of the public.

The summons were brought up by Mr. J. C. Stewart representing Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Withers, occupants of the flat below defendant's.

Mrs. Hoi Ying was charged with having on five occasions, created noise at early hours of the morning in her flat at 12A Humphreys Avenue to the annoyance of the Withers.

Defending Mrs. Hoi Ying was Mr. P. C. Woo.

In the witness box defendant denied the charges against her. She claimed that the summons brought against her by Withers arose from the fact that Withers was going on long leave to the U.K. and had wanted to sublet his flat, to which proposal defendant had not agreed.

"Secondly, defendant continued, Mrs. Withers had further proposed that during the period of leave, the Withers flat was to come under the charge of Mrs. Hoi Ying, the landlady, but that an amount of money was to be paid to the Withers as compensation."

This defendant further claimed, was not agreed to by her.

Mrs. Hoi Ying in answer to a question put to her by Mr. D'Almada, said: "These summons against me have come out of revenge."

Proposal Refused

Cross-examined by Mr. Stewart, defendant admitted that Withers had proposed to have a retired Government servant take over his flat while he was on leave and that Mrs. Hoi Ying had refused.

Defendant further denied that she or any other person in her

New Tram In Service



Hong Kong Tramways Limited placed the first of its new trams in service yesterday—between Happy Valley and Kennedy Town. Seats in the new all-metal vehicle give passengers more comfort. There is better ventilation and a number of safety devices to prevent accidents. ("China Mail" photo).

Amendments To Prevention Of Corruption Ordinance

The first amendments to the Prevention of Corruption Ordinance 1948, affecting directions given by the judge to the jury, and penalties imposed on persons convicted of corruption, were embodied in an ordinance which passed its first reading in Legislative Council yesterday.

Introducing the new Bill the Attorney General, Mr. J. B. Griffin, said:

"The Prevention of Corruption Ordinance 1948 made legislative provision to amend and strengthen the law aimed against corruption in office or corrupt transactions by agents."

"In prosecutions for offences of that character it is not infrequently the case that reliance is placed on the evidence of an accomplice. Where such evidence is adduced, it is a rule of practice that a judge direct the jury that it is dangerous, emphasizing the word dangerous, to convict on the evidence of an accomplice without corroboration in a material particular implicating the accused."

"Because experience has shown that a direction to a jury in such terms makes juries hesitant to convict on the evidence of an accomplice, it was decided that a judge would not be required to direct the jury that it is dangerous to convict if satisfied beyond reasonable doubt that the evidence of the accomplice is worthy of belief."

"The wording of section 9 has in the meanwhile been under consideration. The wording has been criticised on the grounds which are set out in paragraph one of the Objects and Reasons published with the Bill."

"Accordingly the Bill, by clause 3, proposes to repeal and replace section 9 in such a way as to meet the criticisms which I have indicated."

"The interval since the principal Ordinance was passed, section 5 has also been under consideration. That section provides for a penalty for offences and in addition to providing for penalty by fine and imprisonment, the section goes further and empowers the Court convicting to order forfeiture of office or rights and claims to compensation or pension to which the convicted person is otherwise entitled."

"As a result of the consideration which I have mentioned, the view is now held that provision for additional penalty by forfeiture of office or pension and the like, should not appropriately have been included in the section, but should instead be left to be determined in accordance with the constitutional instrument governing the public office held by any convicted offender."

"Accordingly, clause 2 of the Bill provides for repeal and replacement of section 5 in such form as to omit provision for forfeiture of, or disqualification for, office, compensation or pension."

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Rees Williams, Slim Arriving

Mr. D. J. Rees Williams, Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies, is expected to arrive here next week, it was learned yesterday.

Field Marshal Sir William Slim, Chief of the Imperial General Staff, is also to visit the Colony next week.

Minesweeper Lysander In HK Harbour

A conspicuous sight in the Naval Anchorage is the minesweeper Lysander, lying alongside HMS Belfast.

Since the week-end, harbour cranes have wondered at the identity of the dark, grey naval craft, hugging the formidable cruiser, and her purpose in visiting the Colony.

The Lysander entered local waters under tow by the target tugboat Endeavour over the week-end. She came from Singapore.

It is understood that she will be the Headquarters of the Hong Kong Naval Force.

CAT PERSONNEL IN COLONY

More than 80 Chinese employees of the Civil Air Transport, and their families are at present staying in the Colony awaiting further assignment, the "China Mail" learned yesterday.

Mostly evacuated from Canton prior to the city's fall, the employees are at present quartered at a CAT hotel.

Aside from the large amount of personnel, the CAT has also grounded here about 10 of its aircraft. The planes, which are mostly C-46 carriers, are tagged for repairs.

Rent Increase For Business Premises Law

The Landlord and Tenant (Amendment) Ordinance 1949, which provides for an increase of rental for business premises from 45 to 100 per cent on standard rent, was passed into law yesterday.

An amendment, originally intended for incorporation into a later Bill, was included in the Ordinance which provided for power to issue closure orders against premises deemed by the Building Authority to be dangerous to the occupants and passers-by.

Application for such closure order could be made by either the landlord or the Building Authority.

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Dr. Kathleen Thompson,
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(photo reproduced above), age
38 years, height 5' 2 1/2", weight
125 lbs., dark hair, grey eyes,
well built athletic type and
always well dressed has been
missing since Sunday, October
9, 1949 when she was last seen
at 2355 hours at Star Ferry,
Kowloon. Will any person
who has seen her since that
time please communicate with the
Director of Criminal In-
vestigation, Police Headquar-
ters, or the nearest Police
Station.

COMMISSIONER OF
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Hong Kong, October 17, 1949.

HONG KONG
GOVERNMENT

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT

Applications are invited
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good knowledge of English and
Cantonese for six posts as
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These are new posts created
as part of the Medical Depart-
ment's campaign against tuber-
culosis. The work will consist
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permanency at the end of one
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mencement will be \$150 per
month, plus high cost of living
allowance.

Applications in candidate
own handwriting should reach
the Secretary, Medical Depart-
ment, 1st floor, Hong Kong &
Shanghai Bank Building by
3rd November 1949.

I. NEWTON,
Director
of Medical Services.

Dated: October 20, 1949.

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MEDICAL DEPARTMENT

Applications are invited for
posts of Laboratory Assistants
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the salary scale \$150 per month
rising to \$720 per month plus
cost of living allowance.

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less than 20 years of age and
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Kong School Leaving Exami-
nation or its equivalent. Can-
didates will be required to
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tion for physical fitness.

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ment, Hong Kong and Shang-
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NOTICE
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PROBATE JURISDICTION

IN THE GOODS of ALISTAIR
BLACKENZIE late of Public
Works Department, Hong
Kong, Assistant Building In-
spector, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the Court has by virtue of
Section 58 of the Probates
Ordinance 1897 made an Order
limiting the time for creditors
and others to send their claims
against the above estate to the
7th day of November 1949.

All creditors and others are
hereby requested to send in their
claims to the undersigned on or
before that date.

Dated the 17th day of Oct. 1949.

Sd. CHRISTOPHER PAUL
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Official Administrator
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NOTICE

The War Department may
have the following items for
sale in the near future:—

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When further details will be
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(Sd.) E. G. HAZELTON,
Lieutenant-Colonel,
Assistant Director
Supplies & Transport,
Hong Kong.

NOTICE

HONG KONG CLUB

REMINDER

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that an Extraordinary General
Meeting of the members of the
Hong Kong Club will be
held at the Club House on
Thursday, the 27th day of
October 1949, at 5.30 p.m.

By Order of the Committee,

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Mr. T. M. Miller, General
Traffic and Sales Manager of
the Chicago and Southern Air
Lines, and Mr. W. R. Laugh-
lin, the airline's Advertising
Manager, are at present in
Hong Kong making the neces-
sary arrangements and connec-
tions.

Mr. Laughlin told the "China
Mail" yesterday that Cathay Ad-
vertising, Limited, will take care
of his company's publicity and
advertising work in the Colony.

Discussions are also being con-
ducted with the different airlines
concerned and travel agencies on
co-operation, co-ordination and
other necessary arrangements.

Mr. Miller said that when all
arrangements are completed in
Hong Kong a person will be able
to buy a through air ticket from
the Colony to any airport on the
routes serviced by his company.



Mr. T. M. Miller, General
Traffic and Sales Manager,
Chicago and Southern Air
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DONATIONS
ACKNOWLEDGED

The Hong Kong Anti-Tuberculosis
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Mr. Chan Kai Hing \$200, Mr. Wong
Kang Sai \$200, Mr. Li Chan Lung \$200,
Mr. Choy Cheung Kok \$200, Mr. Choy
Yut Ho \$200, Mr. Ma Pak Wan \$200,
Mr. Mak Chun Sam \$200, Mr. Mok Yik
Kee \$200, Mr. Mok Yee Sang \$200, Mr.
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Cheung Shum \$200, Mr. Choy Tung Sang
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The latest donation to The St.
John's Cathedral Centenary Ap-
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Mr. & Mrs. Mok Hing-chin \$25.

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Chan Kwong Po \$200, Mr. Ting Hui Hing
\$200, Mr. Fung Sing Kee \$200, Mr. Fat
Kee \$200, Mr. Chan Chak \$200, Mr. Yip
Wing Sang \$200, Dr. H.P. Yip \$200,
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Queen's Theatre \$200, The Cathay Theatre
\$200, Mr. Wong Po Yai \$200, Mr. Yu
Hing Tsang \$200, Mr. Man Lee \$200, Mr.
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\$200, Mr. Lau Tak Po \$200, Mr. Sun Yui
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West Development Bank Ltd. \$200, China
Investment Co. Ltd. \$200, Messrs. Yat Sun
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THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

NOTICE TO MEMBERS

Eighth Race Meeting

Saturday—22nd October, 1949.

There are ten races, the First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.
and the first race will be run at 2.00 p.m.

Through Tickets (10 Races—\$20) may be obtained at the Office
of the Treasurers, 1st Floor, Telephone House, also tickets for
the Cash Sweep on the last race. Tickets in the Cash Sweep on
the last race may be purchased also at the Club's Branch Office,
No. 382 Nathan Road, Kowloon.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE

Members and guests are reminded that they and their ladies
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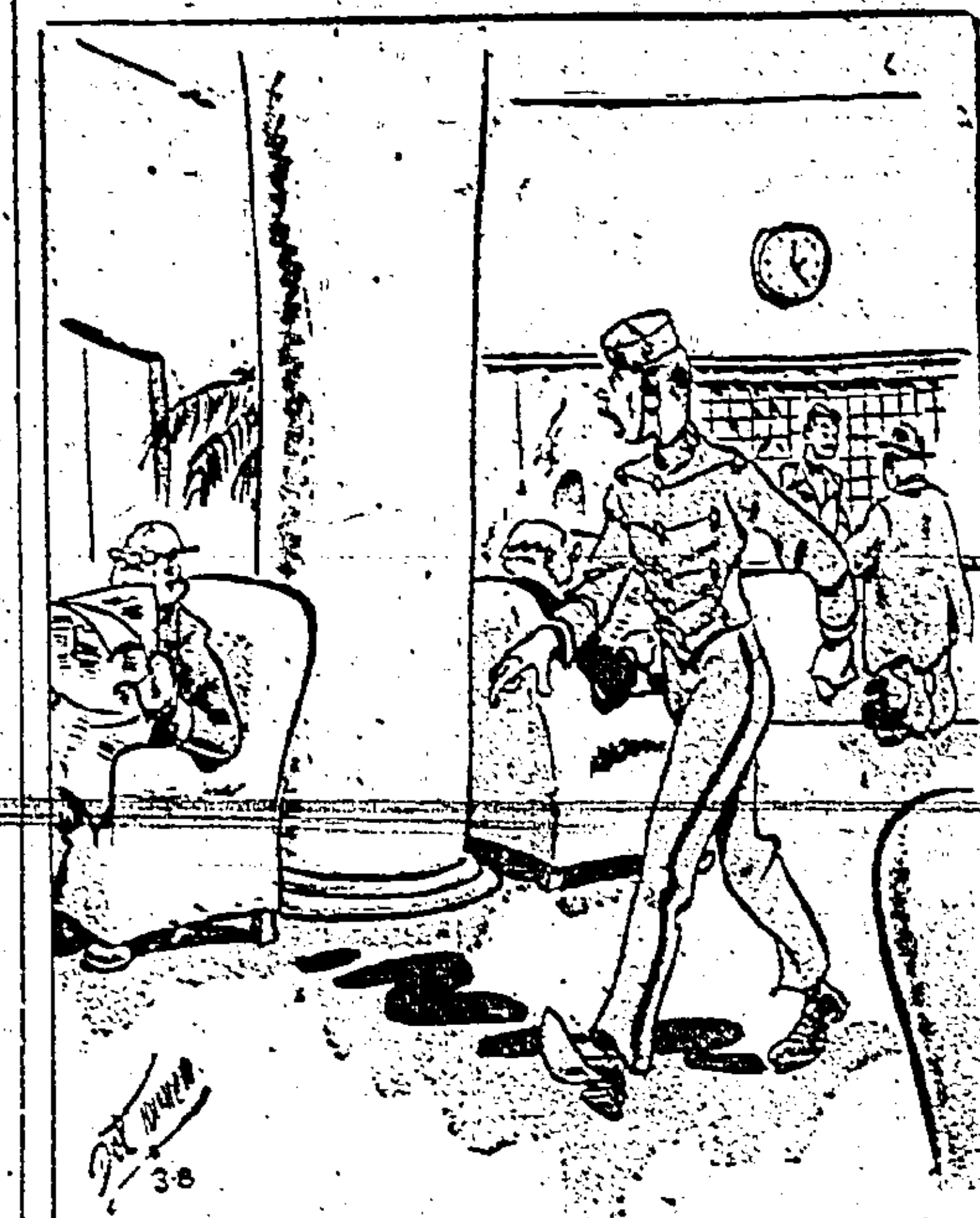
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By Shepard Barclay

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DELAYED JUMP CLEAR

WHEN you make a first round
jump response of one more than
necessary opposite your partner's
opening bid, you of course guar-
antee enough strength to make
a game contract by your side ad-
visable. You do the same if you
make a minimum response of
your suit on your first chance
and then jump one more than
necessary on your second turn.
But such a delayed jump gives
your partner a view of a differ-
ent kind of strength. It is chiefly
extra long suit in a hand which
lacked enough top card strength
to justify the jump as your first
response.

S None
H 4
D 3
C A K J 8 7 5 4 3 2
S Q 10 8 7 6 5 4 3 2
H 10 7 3
D A 5 3
C 9

(Dealer: South. East-West, vul-
nerable).
South West North East
1 H Pass 2 C Pass
2 D Pass 4 C Pass
3 C Pass 5 S Pass

Notice that a bid of 3-Clubs by
North on the first round would
have indicated much more honour
strength, whereas the delayed
jump painted a perfect picture
for South of North's great suit
length in a hand lacking enough
honour power for the first jump.
There was one very conserva-
tive bid in that series, the 5-

Clubs by South, who knew her
partner well enough to be sure
of some other call from him,
after learning of the suit fit, if
a slam was in the hand. She
feared a possible two losers in
spades.

She was Mrs. Phil Wade, and
her husband, newspaper syndi-
cate executive famed in the so-
cial bridge circles of Ardsley,
New York suburb, was never
known as a timid bidder. He al-
ways feared about spades by
cue-bidding the suit. With users
of the Blackwood convention, as
they are, this betokened a blank
suit since the 4-No Trumps call
was not made by either.

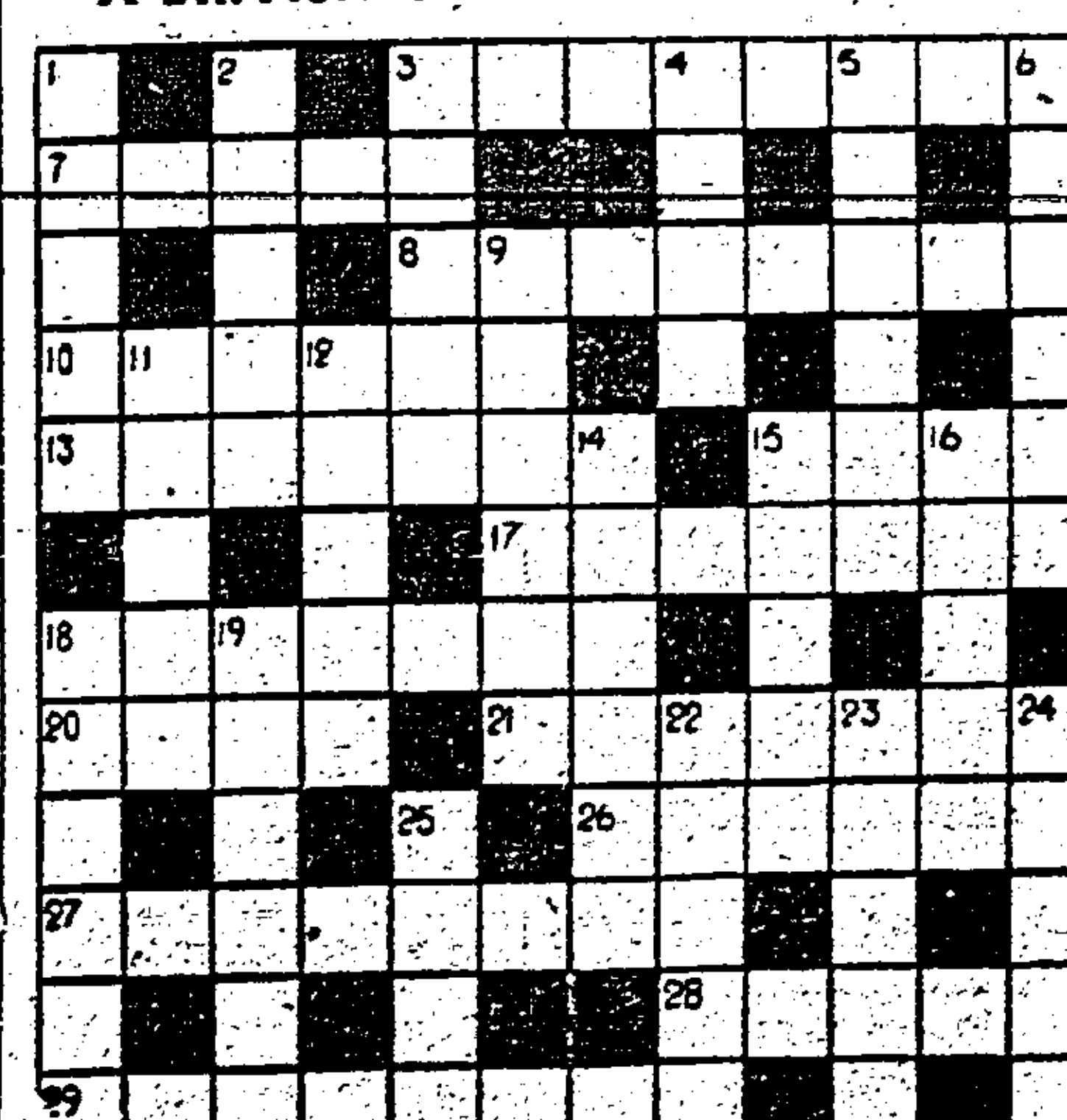
Mrs. Wade got the idea per-
fectly. Her husband would not
have shown that void unless he
also had the A of his own suit.
He was therefore asking if she
had the aces of the two red
suits. Having them, she knew
what to do—grand slam—and of
course it was made.

Tomorrow's Problem.
S Q 8 7 4
H None
D K Q J 6
C K Q J 8 6

S A 10 9 3
H K 10 9
D 8
C A 4 3 2

(Dealer: West. Both sides vul-
nerable).
If North opens with clubs, East
and West bid hearts and South
wins up in 4-Spades, what play
should ensue?

A BRITISH CROSSWORD PUZZLE



Across

8 Arrange. 18 Church
7 Fulfill. 20 screen.
8 Strove to. 20 Winged.
equal. 21 Withdraw.
10 Charge with. 26 Jacket.
crime. 27 Analyses.
13 Feign. 28 Unit of heat.
15 Poker stake. 29 Recollections.
17 Offers.

Down

1 Thong. 14 Wilderness.
2 Couple. 15 Worship.
3 Corrupt. 16 Vestige.
4 Confederate. 18 Haphazard.
5 Chant. 19 Redeem.
6 Whirlpools. 22 Experiments.
9 Counsellor. 23 Sub-
11 Angler's basket. 24 Vagrant.
12 Extreme. 25 Successor.

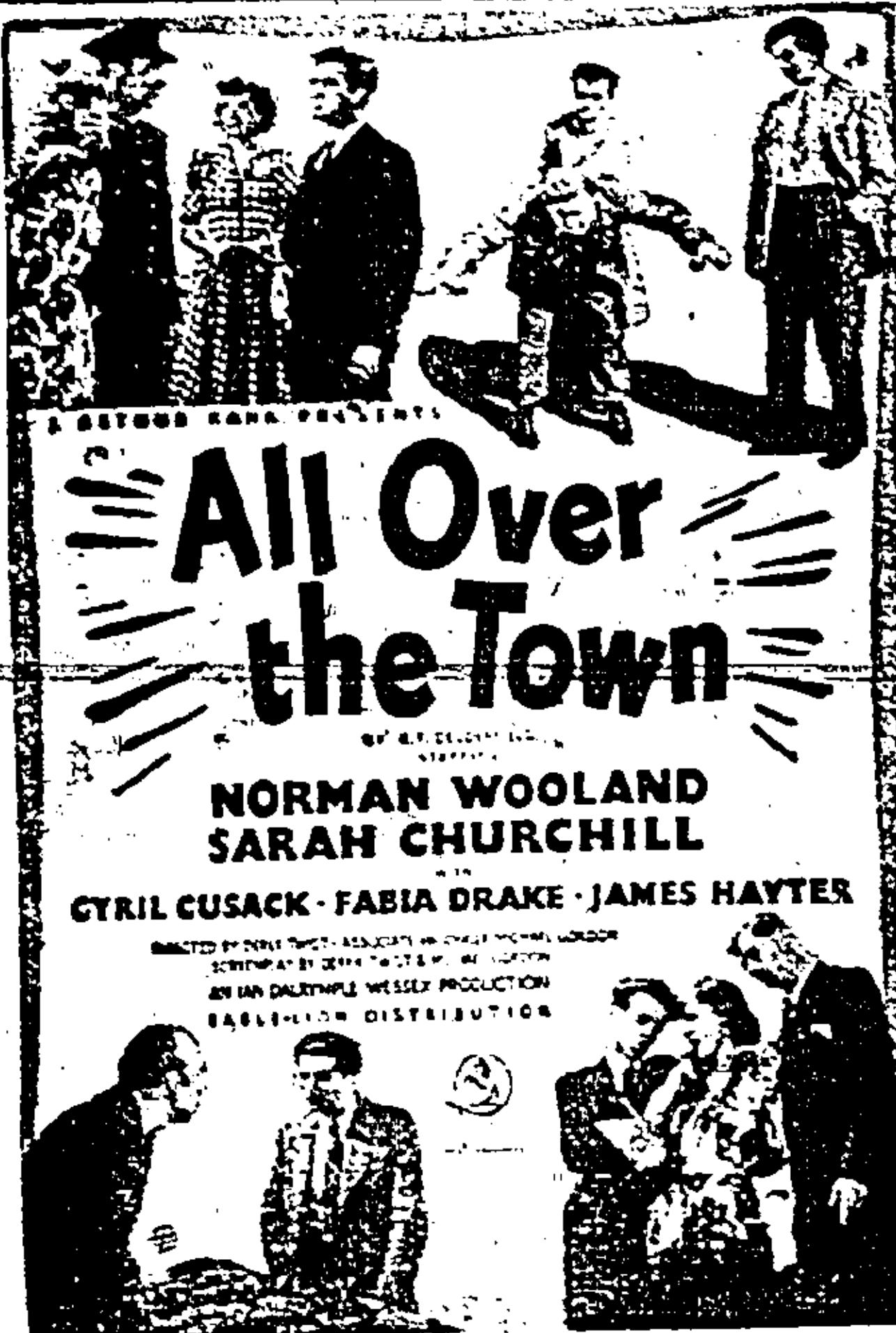
Yesterday's Crossword

ACROSS—1 Pedlar, 5 Naval, 8
Besom, 9 Relief, 10 Musician,
11 Devil, 12 Nuts, 13 Noddy, 14
Sedate, 18 Repeat, 20 Style, 22
Gala, 23 Ecst, 25 Edict, 26 Giv-
ing, 27 Tried, 28 Prize, 29 Delete.

DOWN—1 Partisan, 2 Dila-
tory, 3 Abed, 4 Referee, 5
Nominal, 6 Amulet, 7 Attire, 14
Gelatine, 15 Strangle, 16 Spectre,
17 Damaged, 18 Elects, 21 Tudor,
24 Tide.

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RUSSIANS HAVE A REAL ATOM BOMB, SAYS VYSHINSKY

Lake Success, October 18.

The Soviet Union has the real atomic bomb and has had it since 1947, Andrei Vyshinsky, Russian Foreign Minister, told the world today. Questioned about Russia's atomic explosion, announced last month by President Truman, Mr. Vyshinsky quoted at length from the Tass news agency announcement of the event. He added: "The British Broadcasting Corporation and others have said that it is bluff. But it is a real weapon and it has been a real weapon since 1947."

Mr. Vyshinsky said one way to create an optimistic atmosphere today would be to give up the bomb scare.

He had found a change in the United States public opinion since arriving for the General Assembly session last month—before Mr. Truman announced the Soviet atomic explosion. "I find there has been a change in United States public opinion," he stated. "I discern more objectivity and sobriety in the press. War psychosis has waned. Those who thought the atomic bomb was everything now say the bomb might slip out of their hands and fall on their toes."

Russia opposed the American plan for international atomic control because it would mean establishment of an American super-trust over atomic energy, he said.

China Issue

Mr. Vyshinsky avoided the question of whether the Soviet Union would press for a Security Council seat for Communist China. Asked why the USSR had not demanded a seat for the Communist Chinese regime, he said:

"Why do you think the USSR must hurry with every good action? It is not more correct to wait a while and watch developments? Our actions will be clear. There is no hurry. Everything will come."

The Soviet bloc said today that Russia's success in achieving an atomic explosion had wrecked United States military strategy and put an end to atom diplomacy.

The Ukrainian Foreign Minister, Dimitri Manuilsky, told the Security Council that the American plan for international atomic control was "unreal" because the United States wanted to monopolize atomic energy.

"Truman was forced to admit that the United States no longer has a monopoly on the bomb. The illusion is ended. The United States' military strategy has been wrecked and end put to atom diplomacy."

Mr. Manuilsky was the first speaker as the Security Council resumed its debate on the proposal for a census of the world's armed might that specifically would exclude the atomic bomb.

Control Plan

Russia served notice on the Security Council that it has no intention of retreating from its insistence upon its own plan of international atomic control. The Soviet delegate, Jacob Malik, renewed his demand for inclusion of data on atomic weapons in the proposed world census of "conventional" armaments, but gave no indication that the Kremlin would agree to verification of any information by United Nations inspectors.

In a one-hour speech reminiscent of old Soviet arguments, Mr. Malik accused the United States of desiring to set up an atomic super-trust under its control.

In opposition to the American atomic plan, he said the Russian control proposals were realistic and concrete and can be implemented.

Offer Rejected

"The only thing required is a mutual desire for control and goodwill on the part of the United States and its satellites which to this day has been lacking," he added.

Soon after Mr. Malik spoke, the Council rejected a Soviet offer to exchange figures with the United States on the number of atom bombs in their respective stockpiles and Russia vetoed the Western plan for a census of non-atomic weapons. Mr. Malik used two vetoes—Russia's 40th and 41st—to kill the Western plan—United Press.



M. VYSHINSKY

Laurence Olivier's Appeal

London, October 18.

Sir Laurence Olivier, producer and star of the award-winning film "Hamlet," today made an appeal for quality in British film exports.

"There is only one thing that we British have always had and must continue to show, and that is quality," he said. "To try and win world markets in any other degree is a hopeless battle. Our quality is all we have, and we must do everything in our power to foster it and see that it is in everything we export."

Sir Laurence was speaking at a luncheon at which he received the "Picturegoer" 1949 Film Trophy award for his acting in "Hamlet."

Miss Anna Neagle, who received an award for her work in "Spring in Park Lane," which brought in £1,700,000, said:

"Something should be done to stop some of the really bad pictures that are being made here because they will undoubtedly undermine the goodwill of an industry which is a pretty good dollar earner."—Reuter.

VIENNA PRAISE FOR TOLBUKHIN

Vienna, October 18.

The Austrian Cabinet today expressed its deep regret at the death of the Soviet Marshal, Tolbukhin.

It said he rendered historic services during the liberation of Austria and especially of Vienna itself.—Reuter.

Film Star's Divorce

Rome, October 18.
Dr. Peter Lindstrom, estranged husband of the film star, Ingrid Bergman, has agreed to divorce terms formulated by the Swedish actress.

Joseph Steele, press agent for Ingrid Bergman, revealed this today.—United Press.

Sarah Churchill Married

Sea Island, Georgia, October 18.
Sarah Churchill, vivid actress daughter of Britain's famous statesman, became the happy bride of handsome Anthony Beauchamp today in a brief ceremony at this spot by the sea.

While the band played "Ball Hall" from the American stage hit, the bride and groom and their 27 guests celebrated at a wedding feast featuring roast beef and champagne.

Press and news photographers were barred, but the bride and groom came out briefly following the marriage to permit general picture-taking.

The service was a simple civil one at which a Georgia Judge officiated. At the last minute, the bride changed her mind about her wedding ensemble and appeared in a off-the-shoulder pink satin blouse and tan flowered skirt with green stripes.

Uniformed police and agents of the hotel provided a heavy guard at the estate where the wedding was held and only those on the carefully-prepared list were permitted to enter the grounds.

Newsman waiting outside the house could hear the four-piece orchestra playing semi-classical and popular music as well as standard wedding tunes.

The bride and groom cut a three-tiered white cake topped by an orchid. The Beauchamps announced they would leave for New York by plane tomorrow and the bridegroom quipped: "Guess we'll have to spend most of our honeymoon at El Morocco." (El Morocco is a New York night club.)—United Press.

LONDON HONOUR FOR INDIAN

London, October 18.

Anand Mohan Bati, an official of Baber Road, New Delhi, today received one of London's ancient honours—the Freedom of the City of London.

Meeting in the hall of the City of London, the City's Court of Aldermen approved the Indian official's application for the Freedom of the City, which is one of the craftsmen's fraternities descended from the guilds of Anglo-Saxon times.

A Company official said that it was not necessary for him to live in Britain.—Reuter.

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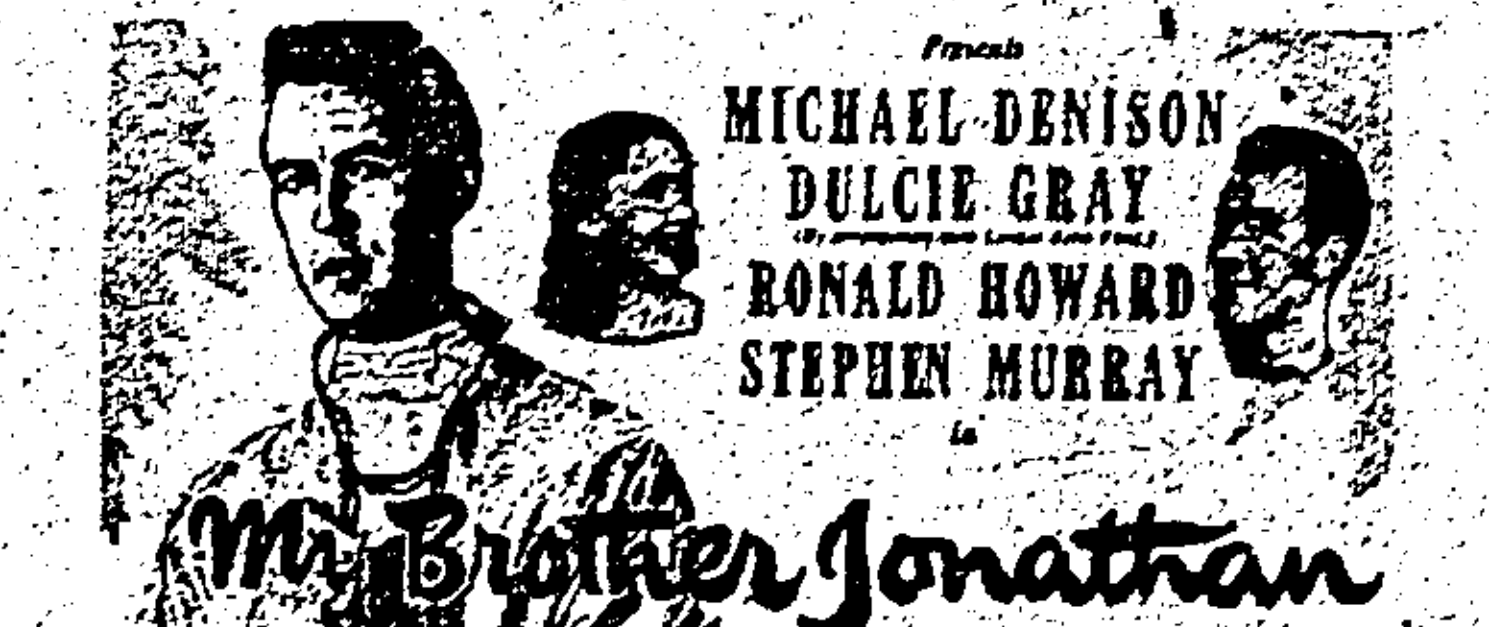
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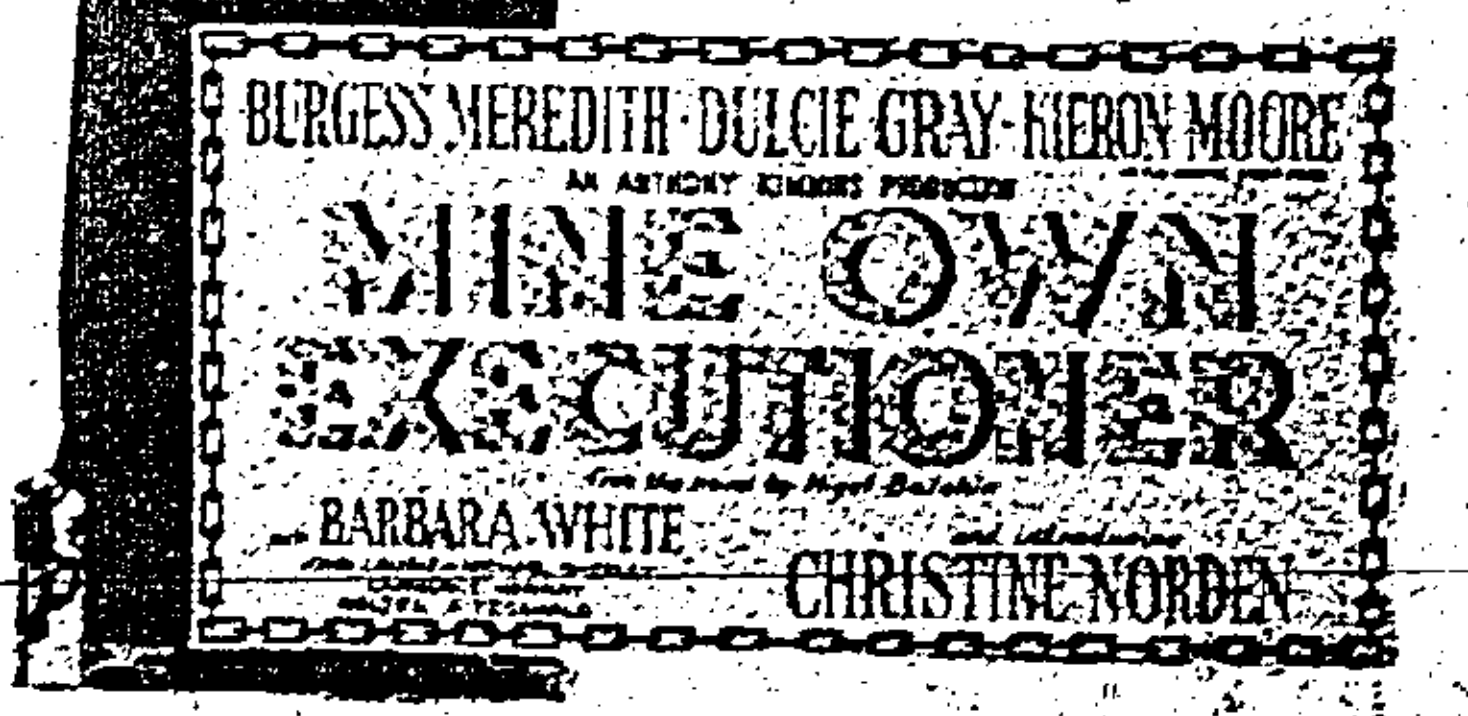
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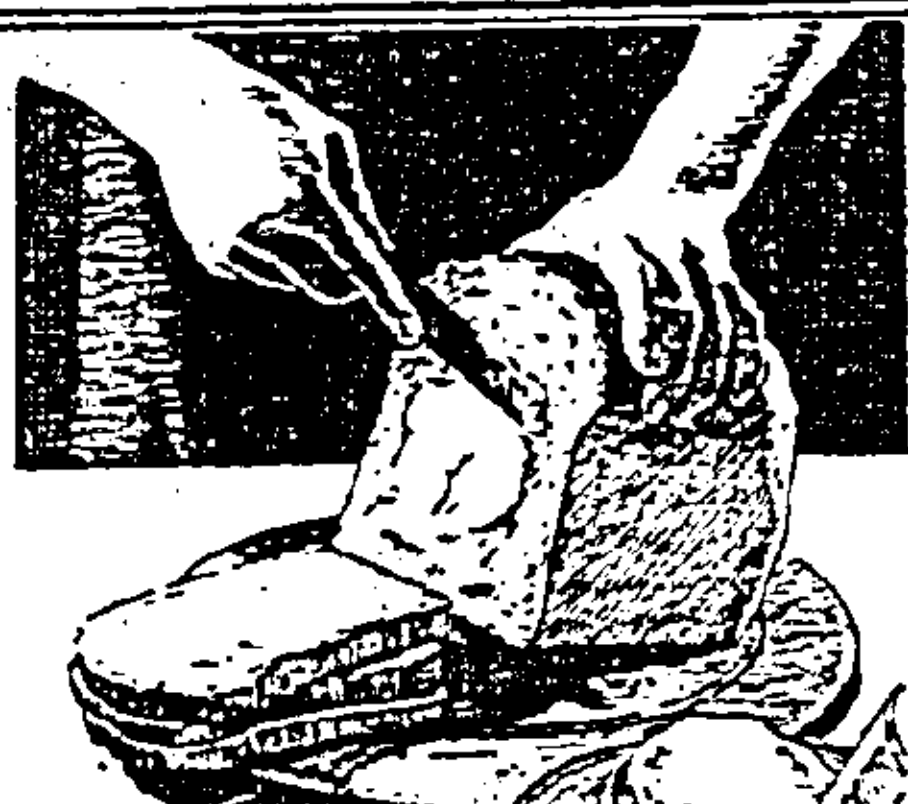
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Movement Of Dogs Restricted

To prevent the spread of rabies in the Colony, dog owners have been warned that further movements of dogs must be severely restricted.

The official statement added that the focus of infection of rabies in dogs is, at present, in Kowloon. Last year cases occurred in Hong Kong and they may again appear at any time but the majority of cases at present are in Kowloon.

To try and prevent the spread of the disease further the movements of dogs must be severely restricted. It is illegal to transport a dog across the harbour in either direction except under special permit.

Permits may be issued to persons moving residents permanently from Hong Kong to Kowloon or to persons wishing to bring a sick dog over for veterinary consultation but no dog can at present be permitted to cross from Kowloon to Hong Kong except under very exceptional conditions.

Dog owners are expressly requested not to endanger their valuable animals by taking them to the infected areas. Certain persons are guilty of taking their animals for exercise on some of the remote beaches. They cannot realise the danger to which they are exposing their dogs. If common sense does not put a stop to this practice it will be necessary to take harsh action to prevent the spread of the disease.

Kowloon Reel Club

The Kowloon Reel Club has been inaugurated on the Mainland. A number of local residents were elected to serve on the Committee during the current season.

The officers elected were: President: Mr. John Mackelvie; Vice-President: Mr. J. Cameron; Lady Vice-President: Mrs. Hart-Baker; Secretary: Mrs. M. E. Tweedie; Committee Members: Mr. Driver, Mr. Horner, Miss P. Ward, Mr. Gellatley.

Mr. Mackelvie thanked all present at the meeting for electing him the first President of the new Club, said he was very pleased to see the excellent attendance for the first practice (40 men and women) and hoped to see many more at the subsequent practices, which will be held every Monday evening from 8.30 to 10.30 p.m. at the King George V School Assembly Hall. He stated that it was hoped to have the inaugural dance of the Club early in December.

The first practice was held. Instructions were given by Mrs. N. Hart-Baker and Lance Corporal George Milligan of the Kings Own Scottish Borderers. Lance Corporal Milligan also piped for the various dances.

Hunt For Convicts



A police dog aids walkie-talkie-equipped officers in a hunt in a South Heilong, Suzhou, for three convicts who escaped from Lewis Prison. Searchers are trying to drive the three to the Suzhou seacoast where an impenetrable cordon awaits them. Meanwhile all roads to London are covered. The three are: Frederick C. Kirkby, three years for robbery with violence; Kenneth R. Shackleton, 12 months for housebreaking; and Terence R. Cutts, 18 months for housebreaking. Kirkby is regarded as dangerous. They got free by scaling a 20-foot wall. (Associated Press Photo).

VYSHINSKY'S WARNING ON YUGOSLAVIA

Lake Success, October 18.

The Soviet Foreign Minister, M. Andrei Vyshinsky, said today that an attempt to put Yugoslavia into a vacant seat on the Security Council would cause a serious deterioration in East-West relations.

M. Vyshinsky said that such a move would lead to complications in the United Nations and would undermine its basis.

He was addressing his first press conference since he became Soviet Foreign Minister.

The East European seat on the Security Council, which is reported to rest between Yugoslavia and Czechoslovakia, has become a focal point of the complicated "Balkan intrigue" inside the United Nations.

Yugoslavia has applied to replace the Ukraine on the Council and has obtained considerable support from other delegations, including the United States.

Britain is understood to have decided not to back Yugoslavia. Speaking in a room crowded with reporters, radio and television apparatus, M. Vyshinsky said today that support for Yugoslavia's attempt to gain the seat "is a challenge to the Soviet Union."

The Soviet Foreign Minister said that Yugoslavia's election to the Security Council would not be recognised as either lawful or just.

"The Soviet Union will never reconcile itself to such a violation of the Charter," he declared.

War Role

He was asked if the Soviet Union would have supported Yugoslavia two years ago and if so why did it not support it now. M. Vyshinsky answered that the Soviet Union would always support any candidacy on a geographic basis supported by a majority of that region.

Asked to comment on Yugoslavia's claim to a seat on the Council by virtue of her role in the war, M. Vyshinsky replied: "Other countries, including Czechoslovakia, have made contributions to the war."

Churchill Version Of 1940 Correct

London, October 18.

Winston Churchill and Paul Reynaud, respective wartime Prime Ministers of Britain and France, today decided to let Mr. Churchill's memoirs stand as their version of the military debacle in 1940.

King Leopold of the Belgians has defended himself against charges by Mr. Churchill and M. Reynaud that he let the Allies down by surrendering to the German forces sweeping Westward toward Dunkirk.

Mr. Churchill declined to comment on King Leopold's statement, but sources close to him let it be understood that he wanted his version of the Belgian surrender, as it appears in his memoirs, to speak for him.

M. Reynaud said it would be "contrary to the interests of Western Europe" for him to "stir up these polemics" again. After reading Leopold's statement, M. Reynaud issued the following statement:

"From the viewpoint of history, I agree in this matter with the memoirs of Winston Churchill. But I consider that to stir up these polemics again would be contrary to the interests of Western Europe."

Asked to comment on the plan to settle 450,000 Palestinian Arab refugees in Syria, further 150,000 in Jordan and 100,000 in Jerusalem under an international regime, has been submitted to the Middle East Economic Survey Group by the Group's British deputy chief, Sir Desmond Morton.

According to a usually reliable source, this "Morton Plan" would dispose of approximately 700,000 refugees who are at present scattered outside Palestine proper.

Under this plan, Christian Arab refugees would require special handling, the source said.

Sir Desmond is reported to have argued, in justifying his recommendations, that the absence of the problem requires settlement of the Arab refugees inside and outside Palestine, on a basis of elimination.

This United Nations Middle East Economic Survey Group, a branch of the Conciliation Commission, has been seeking a solution to the Palestine Arab refugee problem.

A source close to the mission, which is at present in Beirut, Lebanon, said that it is investigating the feasibility of making two-year work projects which eventually lead to the settlement of the refugees in Syria. — Reuter.

TITO SAYS:-

MILITARY ATTACK ON YUGOSLAVIA WILL MEAN A WORLD WAR

Belgrade, October 18.

A military attack on Yugoslavia by anyone will lead to World War III, Marshal Tito told an American radio commentator.

In an interview with William Gailmor, radio commentator and associate of Henry Wallace, Tito placed the full blame for the dispute with Russia on Josef Stalin and said: "We can resist any attack."

Tito granted an interview to Gailmor on Monday night and it was made public by the radio commentator today.

The Yugoslav leader said the only possibility of settlement was of the Russian reserved themselves. He made it plain that in case of an attack on Yugoslavia, he would appeal to the United Nations and not to the Western powers.

He warned that if it was not possible to break out of the isolated situation, Marshal Tito would not be a world war.

Tito's first public reference to the possibility of a Soviet invasion came in answer to a question by Gailmor. Although Tito said he did not look for any invasion of Yugoslavia, he regarded as a trump card what he considered the certainty that a Kremlin attack could not be confined to Yugoslavia alone but would involve many other nations.

"The question was: 'Do you think the situation may lead to open attack or an invasion?'"

Tito told Gailmor: "If major provocations were to lead to an attack on Yugoslavia, we would turn immediately to the United Nations. But Yugoslavia has plans to resist such provocations against her."

Not Isolated

"However, when I talk of major provocations, I am not thinking of war. If war were to break out on Yugoslav soil, that would not be an isolated situation but a world war. In any case, we are not thinking of military assistance from any particular source," said Tito. He reports that he is looking for military help from the United States. Tito said: "We can resist any attack."

Tito said he considered it possible for the Communist countries to break diplomatic relations with Yugoslavia. He forecast a campaign of infiltration and contrived border incidents in the near future, but said: "It would be imprudent to get excited by these things. We will not permit these provocations to achieve their purpose. All we want to do and are doing is to expose these provocations for what they are. We can understand their real essence when you see the elements being used. They are being smuggled into our country across all-frontier belts, particularly Albania and Hungary—not clever political operators, but small groups of bandits who have served dubious masters in the past."

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Asked what he expected Moscow to do next, Tito replied: "Considering the nature of the methods used against Yugoslavia thus far, we hope for anything but the best. We can envisage many things before the disruption of diplomatic relations."

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Italians Wait To Enter Somaliland

Rome, October 18.

A heavy Italian military contingent is waiting near Naples ready to take over its zone from the British Military Administration in the former Italian colony of Somaliland should the United Nations decide to hand the territory over to Italian administration.

The force, composed of veterans with previous service in Africa, at 4,000 soldiers and 800 policemen, officials of the Defence Ministry described this figure as "in exact" — Reuter.

Educational Notes

This week is United Nations Week in the schools. Various events have been arranged by the Director of Education, in conjunction with the Rotary Club of Hong Kong, including an essay competition on "Why a United Nations Organisation is necessary for which the Rotary Club has donated prizes."

There will also be a display of Physical Training in the grounds of the Hong Kong Cricket Club today at 2 p.m. On October 23, the Director of Education will speak from the value of UNESCO, particularly on its importance to the younger generation. At the conclusion of his talk, Mr. Rowell will announce the names of the winners of the Essay Competition.

This month more than 100 teachers are attending weekly course of lectures at the Northcote Training College on the teaching of Civics. Two such courses have been arranged—one in English, and one in Cantonese. They will continue for 10 weeks.

Dr. S. G. Davis, Lecturer in Geography at the Northcote Training College has recently been to Vancouver, B.C. in connection with a geological survey of Hong Kong in 1924, the Imperial Science College and the Colonial Office arranged with the University of British Columbia for a geological survey of Hong Kong to be made by its Geological Department.

Between 1917 and 1932 various geologists were sent here in connection with this work, but for various reasons it remained unfinished. Dr. Davis now hopes to complete the task, and it is expected that a new and complete survey will be ready within 15 months.

Mr. F. Buckle, Acting Principal of the Hong Kong Technical College, has recently returned from Singapore where he attended a Conference called by the International Labour Organisation (ILO). All countries of the Far East, with the exception of Burma and the Philippines, were represented, and the principal item of discussion was the provision of trained instructors to assist in the industrial development of Eastern countries.

Arrangements are well in hand for the re-organisation of the Cheung Chan Fishermen's Children's School. On November 1 it will come under a new and smaller Committee of Management, on which all the Government schools will be well represented and the school will be administered by a headmaster seconded for that purpose from the Education Department.

There will be a considerable increase in the Government subsidy payable to the school, and this will result not only in a revision of the teachers' salaries so that they may be paid according to the scales laid down in the Subsidy Code, but also, in a reduction of school fees. It is hoped also that new features will be introduced into the school curriculum.

Tai-O Fishermen's Children's School will also benefit by increased Government help as from November 1. A Government headmaster is being appointed to take charge, and additional financial assistance may also be given.

Educational pamphlets are now being issued by the Education at regular intervals to all schools. These pamphlets will deal with specific teaching problems and are written by officers of the Education Department. This month, pamphlets on the teaching of Civics and History in primary classes are being distributed.

The Un Long Government Vernacular Middle School was opened on October 5 with Mr. Leung Ping-hip, B.A. as its first Headmaster. There are at present three classes in the school with a total enrolment of 110 pupils. This is the first Government Secondary School in the New Territories. The residents of Un Long have contributed generously towards the building of this school.



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MR. NEHRU HOLDING DISCUSSIONS WITH U.S. INDUSTRIALISTS

New York, October 18.

Rising Tide In Asia

New York, October 18. The Indian Prime Minister, Jawaharlal Nehru, in an important address at the Overseas Press Club, warned today that the Western world could not halt the rising tide of nationalism in Asia.

He served notice that India would not recognize the Communist regime in China soon. Declaring that "Asia is in a ferment—a rapidly changing continent," Mr. Nehru said that the colonial domination of the East is doomed. Colonialism, such as the French rule in Indo-China, might continue for some time if imposed by military force, but "you cannot have peace if colonialism continues that way and even then it would have only a short time to run."

It was the height of folly for colonial powers to try to maintain their hold in Asia. While Nationalist passions had cooled in India and Burma since independence it was astonishing how rapidly they were aroused again when there was threat of domination in any other part of Asia. This was because the Indians cannot forget past history.

Mr. Nehru said that nationalism is the most important factor in Asia today and unless the Western world realizes it there is no hope of world peace.

He said: "It is perfectly clear that after many painful years Asia is going to play a very important part in world affairs. Asia is in a growing dynamic stage and India is full of vitality and these factors must be reckoned with."

"The immediate problems cannot be understood unless you think of them from the larger perspective of history."

Declaring that movements take place in the minds of people before they happen, Mr. Nehru said: "This is going on all over Asia today."

Mr. Nehru said Mr. Winston Churchill's remarks to the effect that the Labour Government was guilty of error and stupidity in granting India independence were bound to be irritating and caused an upsurge of feeling in Asia against the West.

"What's happening in Asia is of tremendous significance and the Western world had better make no mistake about that," United Press.

BROTHER'S AT THE VATICAN

Castel Gandolfo, October 18. The Pope today received in special audience the Superiors and future Superiors of Christian Brothers' schools from 24 nations.

The group of 62 was headed by the Superior General, Brother Emilio Altamirano, a Frenchman. The group included Christian Brothers from Britain, Ireland, the United States, Canada, France, Argentina, Brazil, Peru, Chile, Colombia, Belgium, Bolivia and Palestine.

They have completed a 30-day spiritual retreat and will now begin an eight months' course of studies.—Associated Press.

LINERS HELD UP

New York, October 18. Atlantic storms today held up several liners on their way to New York. The liner Queen Elizabeth, the Dutch liner Nieuw Amsterdam and five Army transports were expected to arrive from 12 to 24 hours late.

The Weather Bureau said that the heart of the storm was 200 to 1,000 miles East-South East of New York—dead across the shipping lanes.—Reuter.

Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, the Prime Minister of India, today took advantage of a less than usually crowded programme to discuss India's industrialisation plans with prominent United States engineers and industrial planners. One of those who met Mr. Nehru today was a high executive of the United States Steel Corporation.

Another was an engineer with experience of some big construction projects undertaken by the United States Government.

This morning's talks were understood mostly to have ranged in the field of heavy industry.

During the seven days he has spent in the United States, the only other industrial expert with whom Mr. Nehru has had talks was Mr. David E. Lilienthal, former Chairman of the Tennessee Valley Authority.

Further opportunities to discuss economic subjects concerning India, particularly foreign investment and trade promotion, will occur when Mr. Nehru attends a dinner tomorrow given by the National Council of Foreign Trade and the Far East American Council of Commerce, two of the leading American trade associations in the United States.

Mr. Nehru has made it clear more than once during this tour that one of the primary objects of the Indian Government is to raise the standard of living of the Indian people by increasing industrial and agricultural output.

Further Talks

He has also stressed that the Indian Government would give fair treatment to American capital invested in India.

As Mr. Nehru's tour goes forward he is expected to pursue these talks with American industrialists and economists at Chicago, San Francisco and White Springs, West Virginia.

Pandit Nehru today told the Overseas Press Club here that the Government of India would like some of America's surplus wheat to solve the country's temporary food difficulties.

He was replying to a question as to how friendly Americans could co-operate with India.

He said that India would welcome technical assistance of a high grade and experts from America to carry out some of the country's multi-purpose projects.

Asked whether the Government of India would recognize the Communist Government of China, Mr. Nehru replied: "We have sent for our Ambassador for consultations. Like other Governments of the world we cannot ignore realities."

Mr. Nehru was addressing about 500 representatives of the world press at the Savoy-Plaza Hotel.

Although it was stated earlier that the speeches would be off the record, when Mr. Nehru saw so many journalists present he said: "How can anybody be off the record before 500 journalists?"

Mr. Nehru, in reply to another question, assured American capitalists that the Government of India would give equal treatment to investors and that within certain limitations of Government policy that had already been announced, every enterprise would be welcome and they would be particularly welcome visits from individual American financiers and industrialists.

He said that there was no fear of "economic domination" by American capital because, by suitable Governmental and other actions, interference with domestic economic policies could be avoided.

Views On Communism

A well-informed United States official source said today he believed that Mr. Nehru is taking a "very unrealistic view of Communism" in its broader aspects.



PANDIT NEHRU

Mr. Nehru is understood to have informed United States officials he sees no reason why the activities of Indian Communists, whose leaders have been forced to flee because of their violent activities, should influence against the Chinese Communist regime.

American officials said he was anxious to be recognised as the legal government of China. This well placed source said Mr. Nehru contended that while the Communists in India had carried on activities which approached actual rebellion he considered this was a domestic matter in India and would have no objection to the Communists' military activity.

American officials who tend to view any Communist activity as part of a plan for world domination have found it impossible to agree with Mr. Nehru in this respect.

Mixed Economy

Mr. Nehru was understood to have told American officials that he believes Communism is losing its force in India.

Businessmen and others who talked with Mr. Nehru during his visit here said they believe his explanation of India's approach to socialism has resulted in a sort of mixed economy in which there is room for both Government and private enterprises.

Nine secretaries and aides are busy from morning until night attending to telephone calls and handling mail for Mr. Nehru. The volume of this increases as Mr. Nehru's tour goes forward.

A spokesman for Mr. Nehru's party said that a dozen telephones, kept at the disposal of the visitors at the Park Avenue Hotel, were ringing almost incessantly at all hours of the day and night.

Requests of various nature came from every strata of society, the spokesman said. Most sought interviews with Mr. Nehru. These callers were mostly businessmen, journalists, educationalists, representatives of international institutions, Negro spokesmen and almost every type of man in political life.—Reuter and United Press.

ARMS FIND

Milan, October 18. Police reported today that they had uncovered a quantity of guns and ammunition buried in a wooded area near Milan.

The small arsenal, they said, included 78 rifles, a mortar, 80 hand grenades and 15,000 rounds of ammunition all sealed in zinc containers.—Associated Press.

Chinese Silver To Be Deposited In Manila Bank

Manila, October 19.

About US\$7,500,000 worth of Chinese silver from San Francisco and other United States ports is to be deposited in Manila for safe keeping. A high official disclosed that part of the shipment has arrived in Manila.

The silver will be deposited in the local Chinese banking firm, Bank of Communications, but the Philippine Commissioner of Customs will hold duplicate keys to the deposit vaults.

The official stressed that the silver, which is contained in boxes, was merely in transit to whatever destination eventually designated by the Nationalist Government.

It is understood that the initial shipment arrived aboard an ocean liner, but the identity of the ship was not disclosed.

An unofficial report said the silver was in the form of coins newly minted in the United States.

The length of time the silver will remain here for safe keeping could not be determined, but the official indicated this depended on the decision of the Chinese Nationalist Government.

Meant For HK

The Chinese silver, which originally came from Mexican stockpiles, was en route to Hong Kong for deposit with the Central Bank of China, but due to the critical situation in China, the Nationalist Government decided to keep it here in the meantime, after making the necessary arrangements with the Philippine Government.

It is understood that the Central Bank of China designated the local Bank of Communications to represent it as the depository.—United Press.

FRENCH CONVOY LOSSES

Paris, October 18. French forces lost 20 killed, 37 wounded and 44 missing in a Vietnamese (autonomy movement) attack on a convoy at Kaohang, Tongking, on October 2, according to a French Army Headquarters announcement, quoted in a French news agency message from Saigon.

The communique said that the Vietnamese forces lost 127 killed. The French Army Headquarters in Saigon also reported today that Vietnamese paratroops and infantry, supported by French troops, have begun an important combined operation in Phnom Penh to parry threats by Vietnamese forces against the Catholic population of the province.

The operation began on Sunday with two landings at the estuary known as Deux Rivières, and is reported today to be progressing without opposition.

This is the first time that French-Vietnam troops had entered the province since hostilities began in 1945.

The Catholic province of Vietnam, on the frontier of Anham and Tongking, has about 200,000 Catholics. Though in the area controlled by the Vietnamese authorities and administered by a pro-Vietnam bishop, Bishop de la Rue, a "Counsellor" of the Vietnamese leader, Dr. Ho Chi Minh, Phnom Penh had been a neutral zone between the warring sides.

French political circles stated today that for some time the Vietnamese had been expressing pressure on this sector.—Reuter.

ERP ALLOTMENTS

Paris, October 18. The second Marshall Aid allotments for the 1949-50 fiscal year programme, totalling \$1,223,800,000, were announced here today by the Economic Co-Operation Administration.

The new allotments bring the total for the year so far to \$2,456,500,000.—Reuter.

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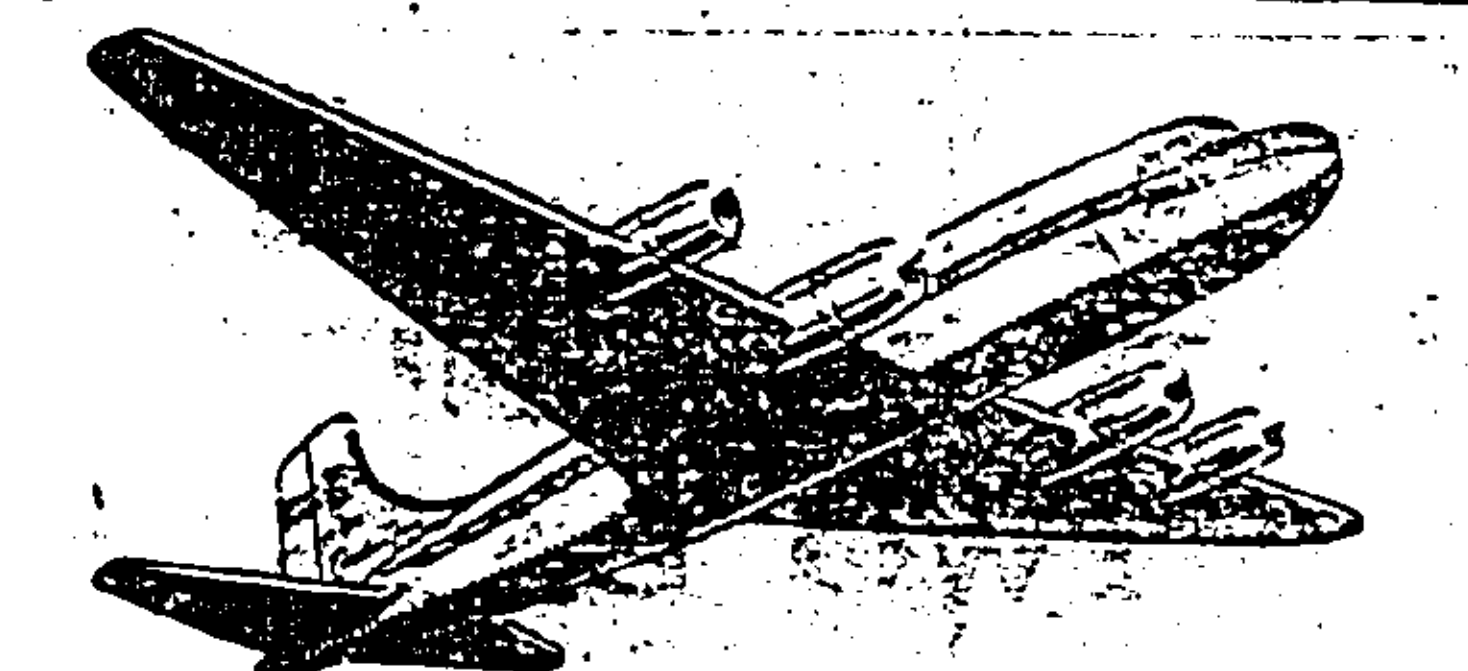
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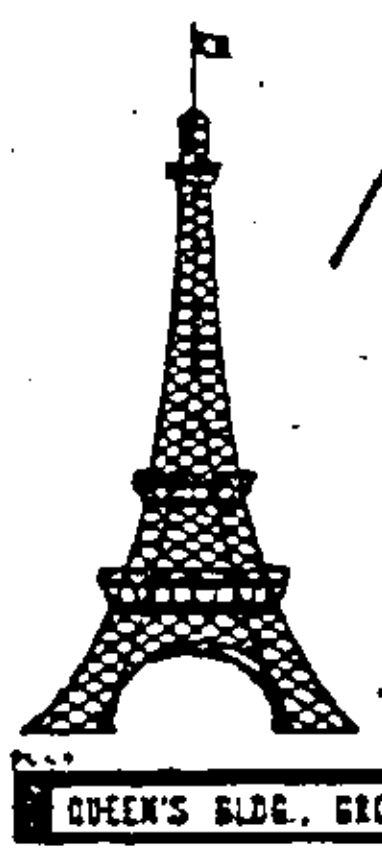
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THE RECOGNITION ISSUE

Considerable interest has
been aroused by the "China
Mail" disclosure that the
Communist commanders have
sent no regular Red army
troops to the Hong Kong border
area.

At first it was thought this
was an offshoot of the chaos
of battle conditions, or alter-
natively that the conquering
forces had no cut and dried
plans for civil administration.
This might seem ridiculous,
except that the scanty news
from Canton suggested this
line of thought, as nothing
much appears to be happen-
ing there except the main-
tenance of law and order.

It is now, however, more or
less established that by pre-
vious agreement the Canton-
ese-speaking Kwangtung
guerillas, many of whom have
spent years harrassing the
Nationalists, are being given
a taste of power on their own
territory as a reward for past
efforts. There may also be a
studious avoidance of direct
association and the possibility
of conflict with British forces.

Even when communication
facilities are restored to nor-
mal working order, it is ex-
pected that the present news
blackout in Canton will be
continued, apart from what is
obtained by word of mouth
from travellers. The refusal
to permit the dissemination
of facts to countries which
have not granted recognition
to the proclaimed government
is a new twist. The use of
this embargo as a means of
diplomatic blackmail is a
novelty that free nations
put on free reporting.

The recognition issue con-
tinues to be debated in Brit-
ain and America, but very
little actual facts have been
gleaned by the public. In-
fluential elements in both
London and Hong Kong be-
lieve we must recognise the
Peiping regime. This is a
realistic point of view. We
may hate the doctrines of the
Kremlin, but it is ridiculous
to ignore the obvious, that
the Reds are now in control
of most of China, and of
nearly all the coastal cities.
This Colony cannot exist in a
vacuum, nor can it prosper
without a good trading asso-
ciation with our neighbours
across the border.

It is apparent, too, that re-
fusal to accept them into the
family of nations will be
strongly resented by the
Communists, who will not
overlook in the future any
real or imagined slights they
receive now. Also, though
this is less important, British
property estimated at £500-
000,000 is still at stake in
Shanghai, and interested
parties hope, probably with
unwarrantable optimism, to
retrieve this.

The British Ambassador in
China, Sir Ralph Stevenson,
is returning to London, and
his informed comments may
have a decisive effect on
Whitehall's view.

Dr. Leighton Stuart, the
U.S. ambassador, has been re-
called to Washington, and has
no doubt discussed the ques-
tion with the State Depart-
ment. The American public
has not had the benefit of his
opinions, and this is to be
regretted. The people's ideas
can have a strong effect on
the recognition issue, and
they have been so conditioned
by anti-Communist feeling
that they are in no mood to
accept any new conquering
nominee of Moscow.

There is another argument,
that Communists in other
countries of the Far East will
receive much encouragement
by general recognition of the
Peiping regime, as the right-
ful government of China, but

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By SELBY BRADFORD

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three months you will see at about
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of the largest houses in once
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owned by Lord Howard de Wol-
den. As Scotland House, royalty
troop its marble staircase, politics,
diplomacy, and finance were the
table talk of its immense baroque
dining-room.

Belgrave Square has altered a
lot since 1939. Scotland House it-
self changed ownership a few
years ago. But if the personal
beauty is lacking today it is stim-
ulating and comforting to think
that the brains are still inhabiting
this century-old mansion.

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Defence College, and its 50 to 60
scholars are the picked brains of
the four Services—Naval, Army,
Air, and Civil. They have more-
over just returned to school after
the summer holidays.

To become a student the indi-
vidual must have passed with
honours through his own Service
Staff College, carried on the same
principle as the Joint Service
Staff College, and then distin-
guished himself further in his own
particular Service.

In the old days Titians, Van
Dycks, and Murillos graced the
walls of the vast semi-circular
hall. Now there are plaques, sim-
ilar to those at any school
which bear the names of the head
boys of their day—all their
places.

Read the names on them and
your heart gives a sudden dunt.
We all know the names of the
first year of the college—for
1928 and 1929.

The names of all students are
recorded on them, and how
smoothly so many of them slide
over the tongue: Tedder, Portal,
A. B. Cunningham, Alexander,
Brooke, Paget.

You read on and then you
realise that with the exception of
"Monty" there is hardly a famous
Service figure who has not studied
and learned the ultimate art of
war.

The details of what they study
is nobody's business save their
own. The overall strategy of
armed warfare and the problems
of all military activity are allied
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dicates of seven or eight. Their
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the Chairman of the Stock Ex-
change, leaders of every industry,
the chiefs of every branch of
every Service assist in their tu-
tion.

You will be relieved, as I was,
to learn that despite the dan-
gerous atmosphere of erudition and
efficiency, these "schoolboys" are
just as human as our children—or
ourselves.

They have their coffee and bi-
suits (NOT free milk) at 11.15.
They also go to read notice-
boards. A few days ago a vast
important lecture—the first of the
day—was put forward a quarter
of an hour.

Only 10 out of the whole
school read the notice and turned
up to time.

Moscow Views On Turkey

Moscow, October 18.

The Russian Army newspaper,
"Red Star," said today that the
United States had obtained
"almost unlimited rights" over
the Turkish Air Force and Navy.

"Hundreds of American officers
have arrived in Turkey after
undergoing special training,"
"Red Star" said. The newspaper
alleged that the United States
was supplying Turkey with
transport aircraft which had be-
come "worn out" during the
Berlin airlift.

"Certain Turkish officers are
now openly saying that American
methods have proved worthless
under the Turkish conditions and
that the United States aid is a
bluff," the paper said.

"The Americans, for their part,
are accusing Turkish Army per-
sonnel of failing to master Amer-
ican instructions and regulations.
They explain this by referring
to the 'backwardness' of Turkish
officers, of their inability to think
technically, and also by men-
tioning the illiteracy of the over-
whelming majority of Turkish
soldiers." "Red Star" added—
Reuter.

this argument pales in view
of the obvious boost to their
morale already provided by
the Red Army successes.

There seems to be little
point in avoiding hard facts.
A decision by London will
ease the situation in Hong
Kong considerably.

THE UNITED NATIONS

"We the people of the things as a matter of course but
United Nations determined to
save succeeding generations
from the scourge of war, when
which twice in our life-time
has brought untold sorrow to
mankind, and to reaffirm faith
in fundamental human rights,
in the dignity and worth of
the human person, in the equal
rights of men and women and
of nations large and small, and
to establish conditions under
which justice and respect for
the obligations arising from
treaties and other sources of
international law can be main-
tained, and to promote social
progress and better standards
of life in larger freedom have
resolved to combine our efforts
to accomplish these aims."

These words are part of the
preamble to the Charter of the
United Nations signed at San
Francisco on the 26th June, 1945.
They are words which were care-
fully weighed by some fifty na-
tions representing about eight
per cent of the population of the
world and covering nine-tenths
of its inhabitable surface. They
voice a cry from the heart of
countless millions of men and
women who knew the chaos and
misery of war with its shame-
ful waste of man's great talents
and the earth's great produc-
tivity—men and women who
clined to believe that the world
could be so blind as to encom-
pass its own degradation by a
further global war when the
need of unity among nations in
the interest of peace and pro-
gress was both vital and urgent.

International Order

If a system of public order can
be achieved within a State, is it
so impossible to imagine a sys-
tem of international public order
—a system in which interna-
tional law takes the place of the
law of the State, an interna-
tional court takes the place of the
courts of the State and interna-
tional public opinion takes the
place of the public opinion of the
State? Certainly it can be
achieved when international pub-
lic opinion demands it and why
should not international pub-
lic opinion develop and make itself
felt along these lines. After all
the world presents a very differ-
ent picture now from the picture
of the world a century ago and
even from the world of the First
World War. Modern scientific
developments both in weapons of
war and in peaceful transporta-
tion and communication have
brought the peoples of the world
much closer together. On the one
hand, no country can regard it-
self as geographically immune
from aggression. On the other
the thoughts and aspirations of
the people of one country tend
to an ever increasing degree, to
be known to the peoples of other
countries. Again the economic
interdependence of nations is a
factor of growing importance, and
the possibilities of increasing eco-
nomic co-operation are a clear in-
centive to a wider conception.
And international co-operation
which is vital in the economic
field is becoming attractive to
thinking men and women in a
vast number of other fields.

There is every reason to believe
that these factors are making
themselves felt.

Brighter Side

Let us then turn, with solemn
appreciation of the dangers in
our path, to the brighter side of
the picture.

A modern civilised State
public order is maintained largely
because its citizens have grown
accustomed to the idea of
obedience to the law of the State
and to the settling of their dif-
ferences through the machinery of
the law. People who live in a
modern civilised State accept these

Public Opinion

The League of Nations which
followed the First World War
and now the United Nations are
the clearest possible proofs of
the birth of an international

public opinion which demands
something better in international
affairs than the rule of force.
The League was a much smaller
affair than the United Nations.
It was called into being by the
lesson of one world war, not two,
and it failed because the political
stature of some nations did not
then match their power and the
attitude of the leaders of other
nations was no more nor less than
the attitude of an ordinary crim-
inal. But time marches on. As
the conception of completely
isolated states fades more and
more into unreality (and it must
so fade whatever the set-backs),
international public opinion is
likely to gather ever-increasing
force and momentum.

It may be said that the clash
of political ideologies between
West and East makes the objec-
tives of the United Nations im-
possible of attainment. There
is no reason why it should. No-
thing in the Charter of the United
Nations is incompatible with
such a clash of public opinion in
different countries and eventual-
ly international public opinion
may swing in favour of one
ideology or the other or develop
some new one, but this in itself
is no threat to the United Na-
tions. The danger is, of course,
that the protagonists of some
political ideology, some im-
perialistic nationalism, should
seek to dominate the world, not
by the persuasion of reason and
achievement, but by force, and
to do so in defiance of the United
Nations. That could happen
and it could spill misery to this
generation of men and women,
but there is this consolation, that
it could never do more than stifle
temporarily the ever-growing be-
lief that force is no argument.
Sooner or later, any system which
relies on force must fail and pub-
lic opinion reassert itself. It is
unthinkable that public opinion
should subvert itself indefi-
nitely to the dictated opinions of
a minority.

Must Prevail

However clamorous are the
prophets of failure, the fact re-
mains that the United Nations
are still in being in spite of grave
challenges, and the longer it can
remain in being the greater its
chances of complete success.
Time is on its side. So long as
problems can still be debated
round a table, there is always a
chance that they may be solved
in the light of reason and with-
out resort to the arbitrament of
force. The forum provided by
the United Nations is a forum
in which international public
opinion can develop and make
itself felt and in which the ad-
vantages of international co-
operation must become ever more
apparent. Most of the problems
of the world which have arisen
since the Charter of the United
Nations was signed have come
before the General Assembly or
one or other of the organs of the
United Nations. Who is bold
enough to assert that the United
Nations has achieved nothing in
preventing them from being a
excuse for major war?

This then is the picture. The
ideals are clear. The threat to
them is great. But those who
back them are backing a cause
which must eventually prevail
whatever the threats. Courage
and persistence will make them
prevail sooner than later.

Men, Women And Memories

Friends who have recently
visited South Africa tell me they
are deeply concerned at the
health of the Prime Minister, Dr.
Malan.

Reassuring reports followed his
collapse at the Nationalist Con-
gress, but I understand that these
do not, unhappily, show any
picture. He is suffering from
blood pressure, and only his sense
of duty and great courage is sus-
taining him in the ordeal of his
appearances in public.

If Dr. Malan finds it impossible
to carry on it seems likely that
his mantle must fall on Mr. Stry-
dom, Minister of Lands and an
extremist who would be by no
means assured of the unqualified
support of his party. A leader to
watch at this present critical
juncture is Mr. Havenga, at
present in Washington. His shrewd-
ness, honesty and the moderating
influence which he exercises make
an obvious appeal to men of all
parties.

Archbishop of Wales

Dr. John Morgan, who has just
been enthroned as the fourth
Archbishop of Wales, believes
that forms of address, and the
courtesies and dignities of office
are important, though not so im-
portant as the attitude between the
officeholder and his duties.

In this connection he enjoys
telling how, when he was Bishop
of Swansea and Brecon, he once
received a letter addressed to
"The Rt. Rev. Bishop of Swansea and
Brecon," a correspondent having
chosen too small an envelope for
so long a title.

His is an exacting mind in
things that matter; it is compact,
like his small but sturdy body.
His impatience with loose reason-
ing, and generalised conclusions
may owe something to his pro-
found knowledge of music. Dr.
Morgan has corrected notes by
noting all the music of the Welsh
Church's new hymnal soon to be
published. He has a lovely light

baritone voice, and makes music
of his sermons.

There are 69 ways of construct-
ing tribal lays, and there must be
at least as many of writing a
best selling novel. Mr. Alan
Paton, whose "Cry, the Beloved
Country," was hailed in these
columns about a year ago (and of
which something approaching a
quarter of a million copies have
been sold—I conjecture—in Brit-
ain, South Africa, and the United
States), told me the other day
one of them. He wrote his novel,
he told me, in the evenings of
three months and in hotel bed-
rooms from Norway to San Fran-
cisco.

This was in the course of a
world-wide survey Mr. Paton was
making of reformatories, and
penal methods, for he is as deeply
concerned with penal reform as
with the race relations that are
the theme of "Cry, the Beloved
Country."

I met Mr. Paton during a brief
visit he is paying to Britain; he
was just off to America, where
he has been invited to dramati-
sate his novel, which is also, I
believe, to be filmed.

Westminster Wisdom

I was talking the other day to
Mr. J. T. Christie, who is just
starting his last term as head-
master of Westminster before be-
coming Principal of Jesus College,
Oxford. To him I posed a prob-
lem which had put to several
other distinguished classical schol-
ars without success: what is the
correct term for describing the
omission of one or more lines from
a text through the ancient scribe
—or modern typist—skipping
from the right place to a sentence
with a similar ending lower down
the page?

Without a moment's thought
Mr. Christie said: "Oh, of course,

you must mean homoeoteleuton."

When I reported this rather
proudly to a friend who had
raised the question, he said he
now recalled his father, who had
been a King's scholar at Eton
and a double first at Trinity, Ox-
ford, in the nineties, using the
term.

Whenever his secretary made
this particular mistake he used to
say to her reprovingly: "I see
you've been guilty of homoeotele-
uton again, Miss Allen!"

Cockburn And Lemon

Sir Patrick Hamilton, who
sailed for South Africa a few
days ago to inspect installations
of the engineering group o
which he is deputy chairman, is
one of the most active of our
younger industrialists. Like his
father, the late Sir George Hamil-
ton, he is a Tory.

Sir George, who sat in the
House of Commons for many
years, was a charming and kindly
host, particularly to young people;
but he had at times a quick tem-
per. I recall one occasion, how-
ever, when he showed commenda-
ble restraint.

He then invited the Mayor and
members of a certain Corporation,
with their ladies, to his house,
Cransford Hall, near Saxmamp-
ham.

Sir George prided himself
on his cellar, particularly his vin-
tage ports. When the Mayores
declined port Sir George said to
her: "You really ought to try
this. It's Cockburn's '96." "Oh,
well!" said the Mayores. "Just
to please you, Sir George." Then,
turning to Hales, her host's statu-
esque butler: "Young man, I'll
have a drop in my lemon."

Miss Moran

My colleague, Brigadier J. G.
Smith, V.C., just back from the
United States, has told me an
amusing story of his meeting with



"Reds visit Shalaukok."
Well, I suppose there are worse
places for an outing.

"Woman: kicked by husband
said 'greatly improved'.
Yes, treat 'em rough, that's
what I always say."

Blind of a Feather.
"Dr. — said he was convinced
the man was drunk. The magis-
trate nodded and said he was,
too."

Acting President Li must have
been reading some of the Ad-
miral's old speeches. He
is quoted yesterday, from the
advanced base of Chungking, as
saying: "We can still turn the
tide against the Communists, if
we renovate the government."

Quite right, of course. If they
could drive the Reds back, say
from Canton to well North of
Peiping, all might not yet be lost.

Truth will out.
"The Communist government of
Mao Tse-tung is almost certain
to be recognised as the awful
government of China."

According to one beauty page
writer, (a sworn enemy of our
own expert, I hasten to say,
"Thousands of instructions now
possess that clear complexion
which is the foundation of every
beautiful face."

Youthful high spirits.
"Defendant is a young married
man with a family; otherwise he
is well behaved."

Just don't believe it.
"Thousands square miles
of untouched virgin were report-
ed in Labrador."

"Mother of 15 children is in
trouble again."
At this stage, I have no sug-
gestions to make.

Second last word.
"Words came easy to him—
words that have a musical sway,
words that come from an active
mind, not from a marionette but
these of peace."

Myrtle estimates that a cer-
tain young man's income would
be about three in the morning.

Blonde menace.
"The wealthy young American
was married yesterday to Miss—
the 19-year-old London cabaret
dancer."

All its up.
"The duke appeared almost
sober in contrast to the brilliant
procession about him."

Chinese Stranded In Toungoo

Rangoon, October 18.
Nearly 3,000 Chinese are esti-
mated at the rebel Karen "capital"
of Toungoo, 150 miles North of
Rangoon, to be needing medical
relief and assistance, according
to an unofficial Chinese com-
missioned investigation commit-
tee, which returned to Rangoon
today.

The committee went to Toung-
oo on September 15 on a report
that Chinese in Karen-held ter-
ritory desperately needed assis-
tance.

The committee members, who
brought back 74 of their nationals,
told newsmen that there were
altogether about 6,000 Chinese in
the Toungoo area unable to eva-
cuate through insecure communi-
cations and lack of funds.

The reported that these Chinese
are living on semi-starvation ra-
tions because they are without
money to buy highly priced food.
—Associated Press.

Miss "Gussie" Moran, the glamor-
ous girl of American lawn tennis,
during Wimbledon the Brig-
adier found it necessary to chide
Miss Moran in his articles for
certain extravagances in her dress
and appearance on the court
which, he felt, detracted from her
merit as a player. Miss Moran
was then not disposed to agree
and their first encounter in New
York looked something of the tra-
ditional warmth of an old friends'
meeting.

But the Brigadier is both firm
and persuasive, which makes it
probably more than coincidence
that on the eve of the Wimbledon
Cup teams departing for Phila-
delphia Miss Moran seized a pair
of scissors. There and then, in
the lounge of the hotel, and in
front of her awe-struck critic, she
converted an attractively rib-
boned collure into a severe Eton
crop.

On the court she wore trim,
utilitarian white shorts, and, on
the last day, a plain frock of gym
tunic style. And, averts my col-
league with a faint note of
triumph, she played far better
than ever she had done at Wim-
bledon.

BRITAIN AWAITING PEIPING'S ANSWER

London Statement On Recognition Issue

ENVOY CALLS ON BEVIN

LONDON, OCTOBER 18.
THE FOREIGN OFFICE STILL AWAITS AN ANSWER FROM THE COMMUNIST AUTHORITIES IN PEIPING TO A REQUEST FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF TEMPORARY WORKING RELATIONS.

A spokesman, who told news conference questioners this today, said that the British request made at the beginning of the month is without prejudice to the question of recognition. Britain, he said, so far has taken no decision one way or the other on the Communists call for full diplomatic recognition.

Britain has a big financial stake in China and there have been reports that she intends to protect it by according quick recognition to the Communist regime.

The spokesman confirmed reports that the British Consul-General in Peiping, W. G. C. Graham, had sent a communication to the Communists with a view to establishing working relations.

When this happened, according to other informed diplomatic sources, the United States expressed the view to Britain that the move could be construed as a de facto recognition of the Communist regime—in other words, an acceptance that the Communists are in fact the effective rulers of China.

Britain then hurriedly sent an assurance to the United States and other Western powers that it does not intend at this time to grant any kind of recognition.

MILITARY SYSTEM ATTACKED

London, October 18.
Charging that "with 400,000 men enlisted the British Army could not tomorrow field in Europe or elsewhere a single army corps (far fewer than 100,000 men)," the "Daily Mail" Independent Conservative, asserted today: "It is still worse in the East."

"The Army budget is £356,000,000," the "Daily Mail" claimed, "and still Britain is unable to place 25,000 men at Hong Kong without taking half an armoured division from Germany."

The newspaper called for the abandonment of conscription in Britain on the eve of today's special meeting of the Cabinet to decide further economy measures in national expenditure.

The "Daily Mail" claimed that this year's budget for the three services—Navy, Army and Air Force—totaled £2,000,000,000—"a fantastic sum."

It contended that 184,000 regular British troops have to train and administer 211,000 conscripts, "a task which occupies one and a half divisions in Britain alone."

"Young conscripted soldiers are learning at a cost of £500 each. They would be far more usefully taught by industry at industry's expense to win the battle for production."—Associated Press.

AN URGENT MATTER OF POLICY

London, October 18.
The "Daily Telegraph" says that with Chinese Communist troops on the Hong Kong frontier, the question of British policy toward the new Red regime in China becomes more urgent than before. The "Telegraph" said British and American policy must be co-ordinated, both on the diplomatic and military levels in this matter, and added: "Russia would certainly be happy to see the Western powers embarrassed in the Far East by a Chinese Communist attack on Hong Kong, and America would, equally certainly, dislike a change of ownership."—Associated Press.

LEOPOLD AGREES ON VOTE

Brussels, October 18.
King Leopold of Belgium has agreed to a referendum on his return to the throne and will agree to abdicate if he fails to secure at least 55 per cent of the vote.

This was announced to a meeting of Liberal Senators here today by their President, M. Octave Dierckx, after he had seen the Belgian Premier, M. Gaston Eyskens.

The Premier returned to Brussels earlier today after meeting the King near Geneva.

King Leopold, 47 years of age, has lived in exile in Switzerland since the end of the last war. He has been the subject of bitter controversy partly for his conduct during the war and partly for his marriage to a commoner.

The question of his restoration has split the Belgians into two parties for several years.

A communique jointly issued tonight by King Leopold's Secretary in Brussels and the Belgian Premier's office stated:

"On Sunday, October 16, the Prime Minister, M. Eyskens, was received in audience by the King at Preghy."

"In the course of the detailed talk which he had with the King, the Prime Minister explained that the Government considered it indispensable to bring about without further delay a solution to the Royal problem."

"He informed the King that with this aim in mind, the Government had decided to organize a popular consultation which would have a strictly consultative character and aim at nothing else but allowing the King and Parliament to make a decision in full knowledge of the country's opinion."—Reuter.

posed formation of a Sino-Thai Committee.

The object of this Committee would be to improve relations between Thailand and Chinese domiciled in Thailand. There are a minority of 4,000,000 Chinese living in Thailand out of a total population of 18,000,000.

In Allahabad, a spokesman for Nepal said today that his government is certainly considering the possibility of recognizing Communist China. The final decision by Nepal awaits the final decision of the Government of India, he said.

Twenty-six members of the former Chinese Nationalist Embassy in Moscow left by train last night for Stockholm. The Charge d'Affaires, Mr. Chen Tsiang, leaves tomorrow.

Russia recognised the Chinese Communist Government on October 19 immediately after its proclamation in Peiping. Associated Press, United Press and Reuter.

TUC LEADERS HOLDING UP PROGRAMME

London, October 18.

Britain's 8,000,000-strong Trades Union Congress is still holding back from full co-operation with the Labour Government in following up devaluation with a bold production and export programme.

An all-day discussion by the economic experts of the movement failed today to bring it much nearer an agreed statement of policy.

The attitude of the leaders is understood to be that they cannot do much until they have specific proposals from the Government on what tasks the trades unions are expected to shoulder.

When the T.U.C. Economic Sub-Committee assembled here today it hoped its discussions would be helped forward by a Government announcement of economies planned to meet the immediate situation. When the Government decided to postpone its statement, the T.U.C. Committee was left to discuss general principles.

It was understood that the biggest single problem discussed today was how best to devise means of granting wage increases to low-paid workers without upsetting differentials in payments for different grades and without starting a series of wage demands at all levels.

The idea of a national minimum wage seems to be out of the picture, finally knocked out by the opposition of Mr. Arthur Deakin, Secretary of the Transport and General Workers and one of Britain's most powerful trade union chiefs.

The General Council of the T.U.C. meets again on October 26. The Economic Sub-Committee may meet again before then and may have more detailed information to help it to guide its discussions. If so there is still a chance that the formal T.U.C. policy on devaluation and its effects will be announced next week.

Wage Claims

In the background of the T.U.C. discussions is the fact that more than half of its membership had claimed for in-

creased wages tabled before devaluation was announced. Only one small section of the London busmen, have since withdrawn their claim.

The giant Confederation of Shipbuilding and Engineering has decided to press ahead with a claim for another £1 a week for its members.

Railmen, who are pressing claims on behalf of their lower-paid colleagues, and representatives of 130,000 workers in rail-road construction and repair shops decided last night to go ahead with a claim for a wage rise of between 10 shillings and £1 a week.

Coal miners are planning a new wage structure for their nationalised industry which will certainly increase costs all round.

—Reuter.

PRINCESS' ADVICE TO MOTHERS

London, October 18.

Princess Elizabeth, mother of 11-month-old Prince Charles, told 3,600 young mothers from all over Britain today that they could do no finer service than help maintain the Christian doctrine that the relationship of husband and wife is a permanent one.

Addressing a rally organised by the Church of England organisation known as The Mothers' Union, she said: "We can hardly help admitting that we live in an age of growing self-indulgence, or hardening materialism, and of falling moral standards."

"When we see around us the havoc which has been wrought, above all among the children, by the break-up of homes, we can have no doubt that divorce and separation are responsible for some of the darkest evils in our society today."

The Princess concluded by reminding her audience how important it was that parents should be an example to their children by practising Christianity in their own lives.

"We surely cannot expect our children to do what we are too lazy or indifferent to do ourselves," she said.—Reuter.

No Place For Red China Here

Stockholm, October 18.
Red China will never be allowed in the anti-Communist free World Labour Federation to be formed in London next month, Irving Brown, European representative of the American Federation of Labour, said today.

"There is no place for Red China in the projected organization," Mr. Brown told newsmen. "Trade unions in Red China are instruments of a police state. We do not regard the functions of trade unions to be that of policeman."

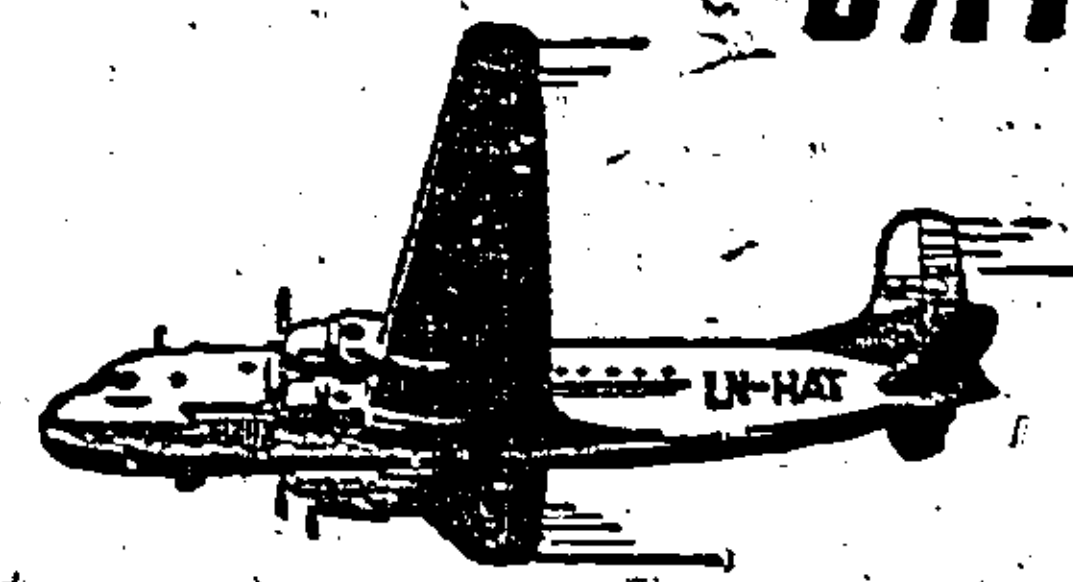
China, he said, will be represented by China Nationalists trade union leaders.

Mr. Brown added that "there might be a place in the new world labour body for Yugoslavia which may be in the process of becoming a free country."

Mr. Brown arrived here from New York on Monday for talks with Swedish trade union leaders about the London conference, fixed for November 28 to December 6.

Some 200 delegates claiming to represent 47,000,000 trade unionists from 35 countries will write a charter for the Free World Trade Union Federation.—Associated Press.

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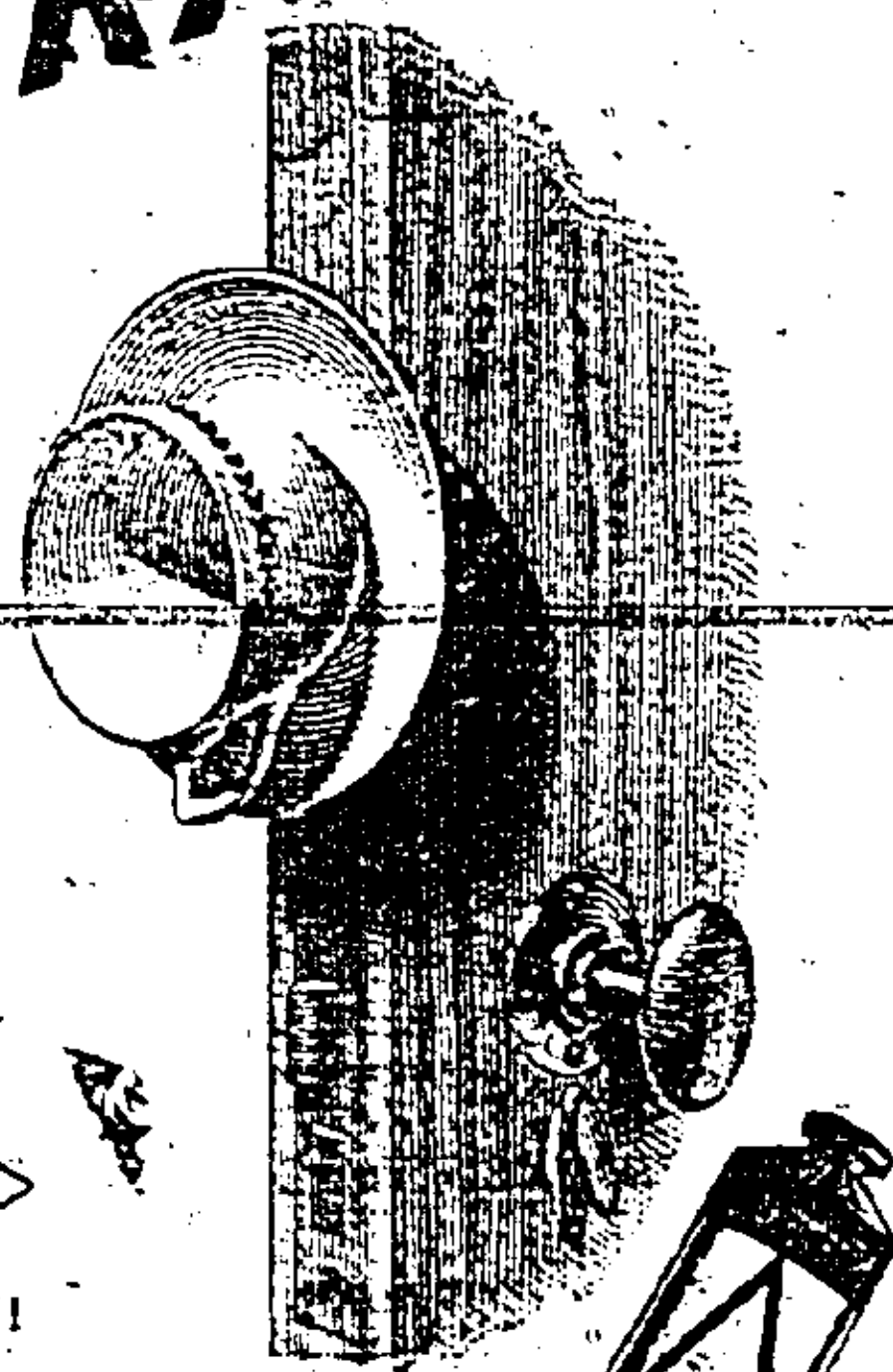
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ENGINEERING PAGE PRESS BUTTON LIGHT HOUSES

By **GEORGE HILLYAR**

Lighthouses which need skilled attention only twice a year are being sent from Britain to replace older types that have been damaged by war action in the Far East. One is going to Corregidor, scene of the U.S. Army's last stand against the Japanese in 1942; others are being completed for vital shipping routes in the Netherlands East Indies and British Borneo areas.

Lighthouses, even, in busy traffic lanes, often have to be sited on remote islands and promontories where only unskilled labour is available.

The cost of maintaining a staff of resident engineers to attend to these lights would be prohibitive, even if they were willing to live in such isolated spots. On the other hand, without complete reliability at all times, the lights would be utterly useless as navigational aids in narrow waters.

The new lighthouses have therefore been designed as completely self-contained units operated by unskilled attendants by "push-button" control. The mechanisms need only periodical examination by experts, usually at intervals from six to eight months. There is even a device for telling the attendant when to push the button, and another for informing the visiting inspector where to look for faults.

Each installation comprises an electric filament lamp, usually of about 1 KW consumption, a grismatic glass optic, and a rotating mechanism, all this is housed in a lantern mounted upon a steel framework tower.

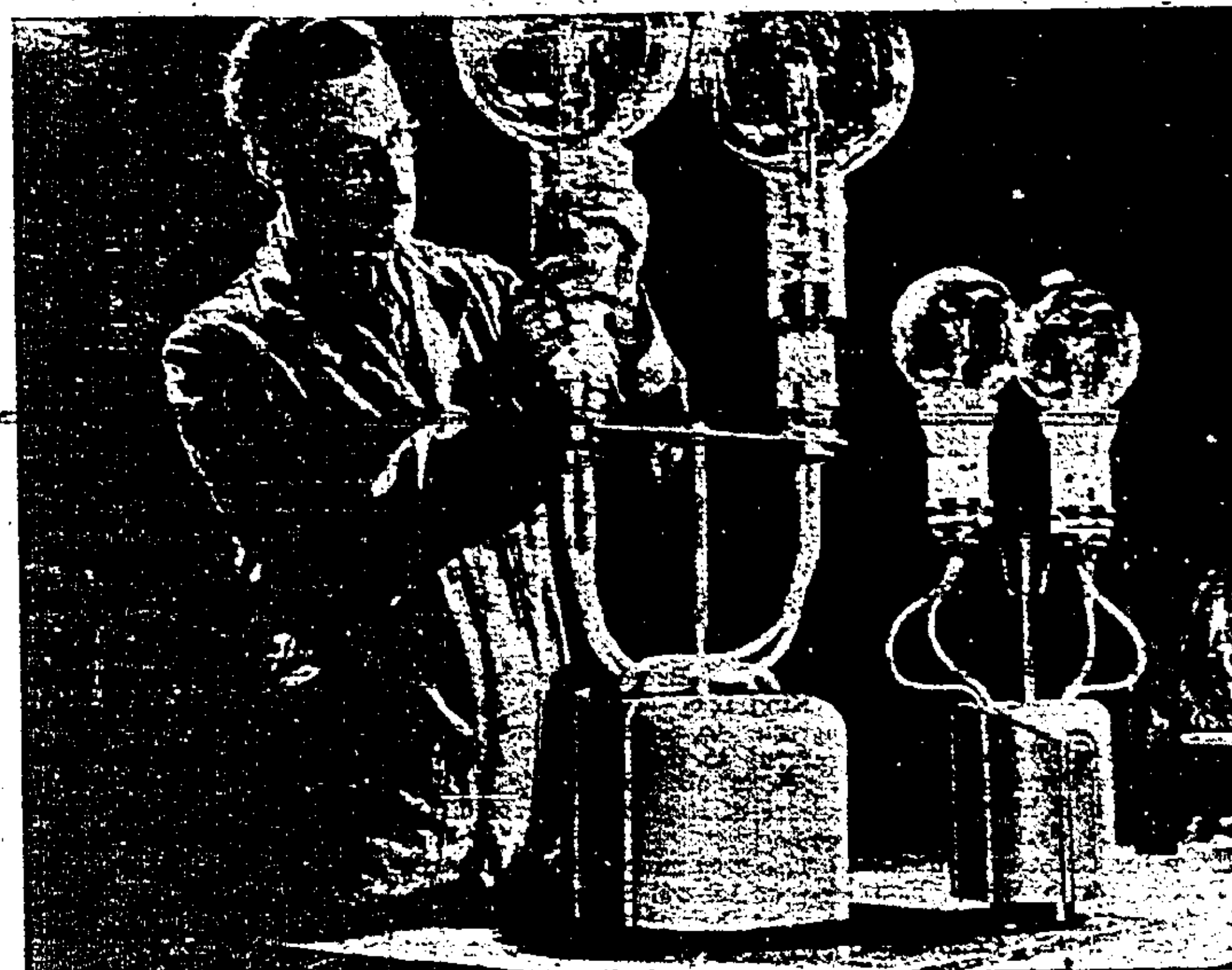
Light from the filament lamp is refracted and reflected by the prism into the familiar horizontal beam, which, when the optic is rotated, sweeps the horizon singly, in pairs, or in threes, according to the arranged signal by which ships may recognise the light. Power is usually supplied by diesel-driven generating plants in triplicate, housed below the tower.

At "lighting-up" time a bell-worked by a photo-electric switch—rings the keeper and keeps on ringing until he has pressed the starting button of one of the generators.

It continues ringing until the power is generated and the light-house is in complete operation. Further, if the keeper switches off before it is actually daylight, the bell rings again until he restarts the engine and consequently the light.

The Light Never Fails

If for some reason the generator itself should fail during the night—which is actually a remote possibility—the bell rings and



Britain is now building special "press button" lighthouses for use in remote places where only unskilled labour is available. Top picture shows the interior of a single flashing optic equipped with an automatic lamp changer; this obviates the possibility of the lighthouse ceasing to function when one filament fails. Right clock-work mechanism for rotating the lamp is undergoing test. To reduce rotational friction the lamp and lens float in a bed of mercury contained in the trough shown at the top of the picture.

warns the keeper to start the second set. There is a third set in case of failure while the others are being overhauled. Whatever the reason for the failure it is automatically recorded on indicators so that the visiting engineer knows where to look for trouble.

Sometimes the light may fail through burning out of the filament lamp itself, which is the vital point of the whole system. If it does, a second lamp comes into operation immediately and a warning light, which cannot be extinguished until the faulty lamp is replaced, tells the keeper of its failure.

If the electric motor operating the optical apparatus should fail there is a second one which comes into action at once; again a warning lamp lights to indicate the breakdown.

Suppliers of this apparatus are Chance Brothers Ltd. Smethwick (England) who claim to be the only firm in the world capable of supplying a complete light-house from the founding of the glass to the manufacture of the electrical machinery and tower, and having behind them the experience of nearly a century. More than 40 orders have been received lately for installations in tropical waters alone, and in some cases the system has been varied to meet local conditions.

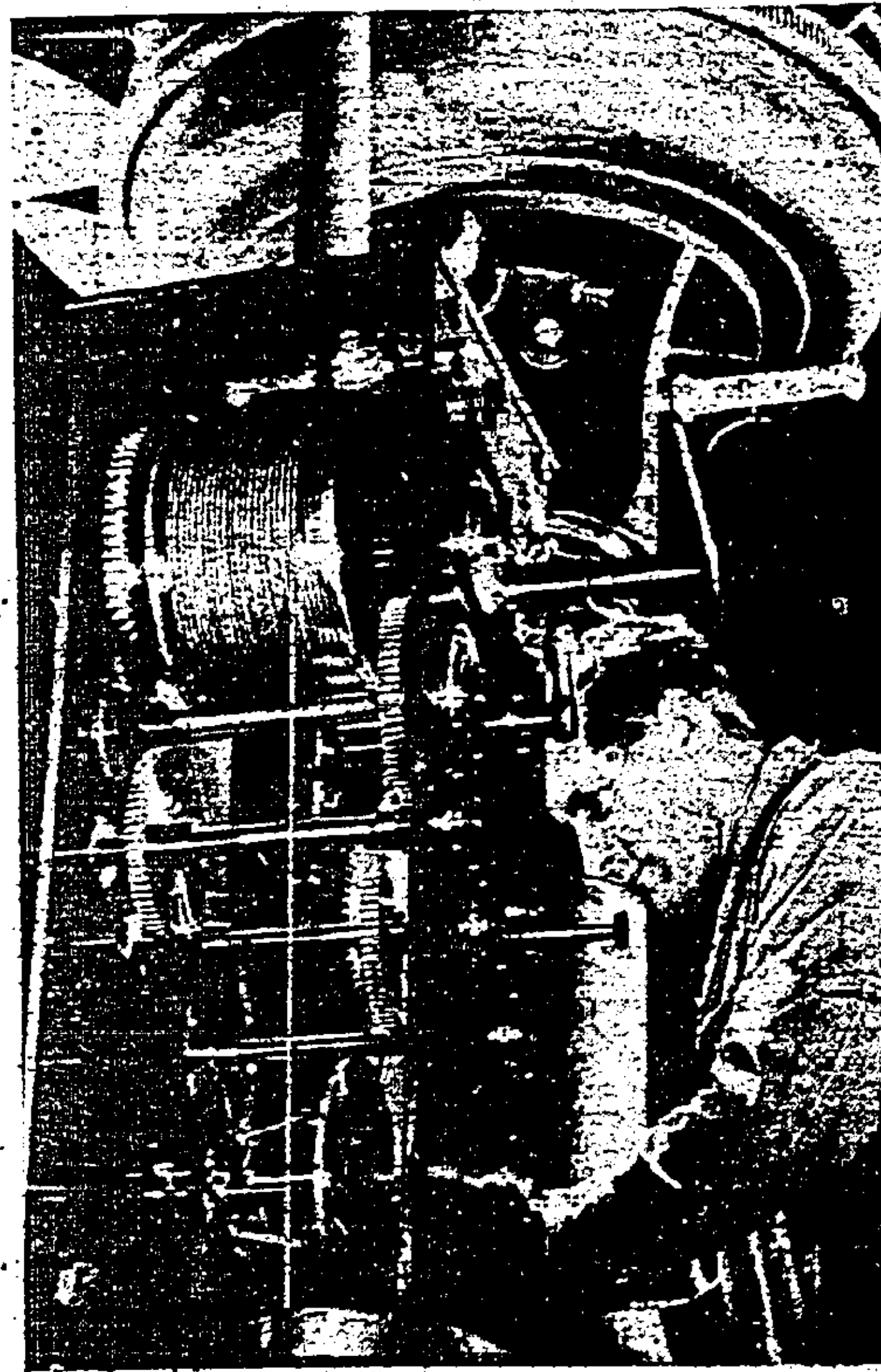
Diesel System

For example, of the 16 lights ordered for the Netherlands East Indies, 10 are to have the diesel generating system described above. The other six, however, because of difficulties of supply, are to be lit by petroleum vapour.

These units comprise a pressure burner and mantle fed by kerosene, and for a comparable candle-power the lens in the optic has to be considerably heavier than in the case of an electrically lit plant. Rotated by a clockwork driven mechanism, the lens is mounted in a trough of mercury to reduce rotational friction.

Again, in the case of two lights ordered for the West African Republic of Liberia, one of them for locating Monrovia's newly-built deep water harbour—will normally be powered from the town's main electric supply. If this should fail, however, a diesel driven generating set comes into operation automatically and cuts out again as soon as main current is restored.

One of the most powerful lights is that to be installed at Corregidor: it has a power of over half a million candles. This is closely approached by the second new light on the Liberian coast, at Cape Palmas, which will be of 450,000 candle power and is probably the most powerful one between Sierra Leone and Fernando Po.



Royal Navy Plans Bigger Gas-Turbines

Following the success of the gas-turbines installed in the motor gun-boat 2009, Britain's Admiralty is planning larger gas turbine machinery for installation in naval craft.

The motor gun-boat 2009, the first craft to put to sea with gas-turbine propulsion, is not entirely jet-propelled in the sense that she moves because of a jet blowing out astern.

In the Gatric unit, installed in the gun-boat, a turbine is actuated by a "jet" produced by the components of the type used in jet aircraft. This turbine drives a conventional propeller.

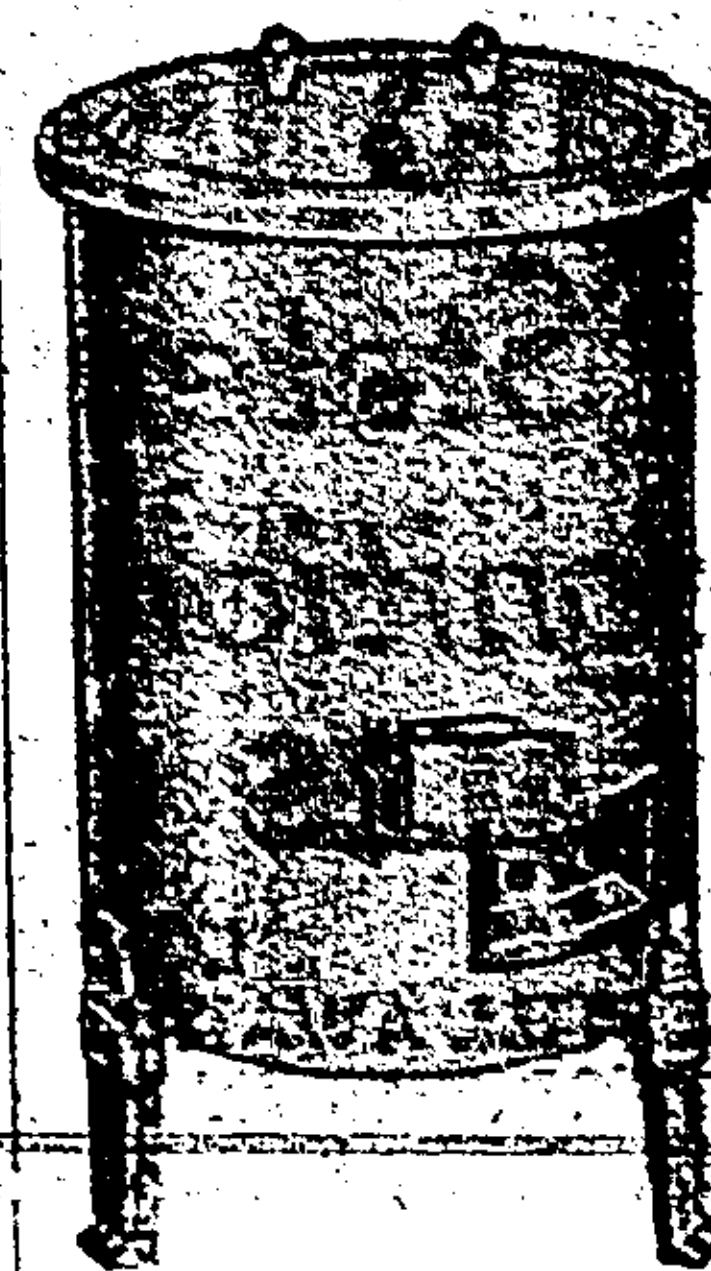
The further projects are having a more advanced design. They are designed as marine propulsion units from the start and it is predicted that their durability and efficiency will be much greater than those of the Gatric unit, with which the gun-boat is equipped.

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Work to introduce the gas-turbine engine for commercial ships is progressing rapidly at the Clyde Bank (Scotland) works of Messrs. John Brown and Company. Many components have also been made by this firm for the installation next year of the first industrial gas-turbine of the closed cycle type. It will operate the Carlingford Port power station at Dundee.

It is believed it will be possible to build gas-turbine power stations in various districts of England where new industries could be created.

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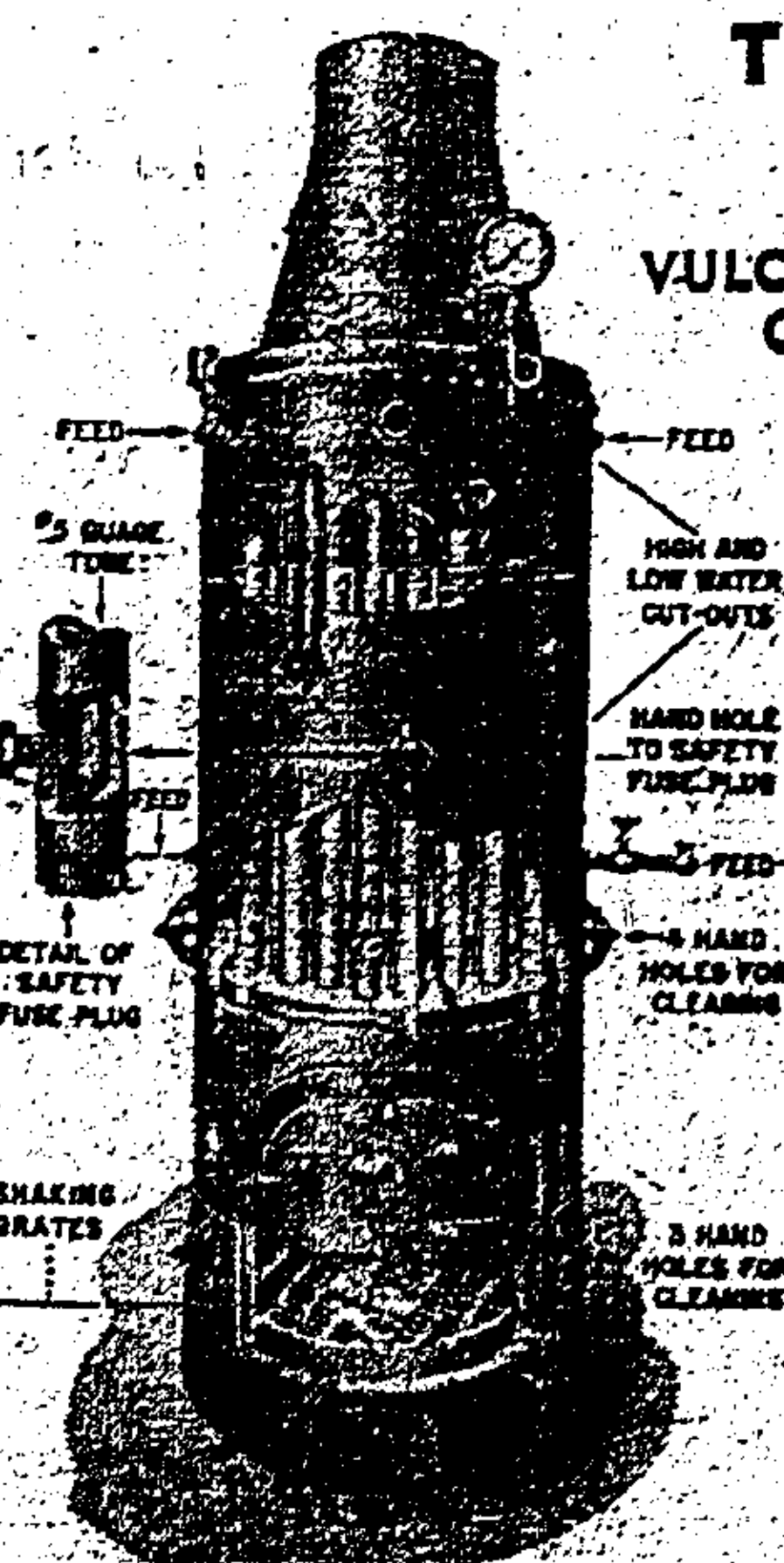
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CZECH REDS' PURGE OF MIDDLE CLASS SPREADS TO COUNTRY

"Madame Butterfly" Claim

Tokyo, October 18.
Two elderly Japanese women today claimed that they are the grand-daughters of the woman who inspired Puccini's opera, "Madame Butterfly".

Mrs. Hideyo Suganobe, 65, of Oita City, said she has come upon evidence proving that she is the grand-daughter of Madame Butterfly by the later's first marriage to a Japanese. Mrs. Suganobe claimed that her grand-mother's real name was Thuru Nakanishi.

A search of records also is supposed to have disclosed that Mrs. Mabel Wright, now living in Tokyo is the grand-daughter of Chocho San by Madame Butterfly's second marriage to a British named Clapper in Nagasaki.

The evidence gathered by the two women was said to have disclosed that Madame Butterfly separated from her first husband and then went to Osaka where she became a geisha girl. Later she moved to Nagasaki where she married Clapper.—United Press.

Prague, October 18.
Reliable reports reaching Prague today said that the police round-ups, begun in Prague more than a fortnight ago, are still spreading through the country, notably in the East Bohemian city of Hradec Kralove. The reports said the arrests at Hradec Kralove were like those in Prague—aimed chiefly at businessmen and other middle-class elements with the apparent purpose of breaking the influence of this class.

Hradec Kralove is a town of about 30,000 situated about 65 miles East of Prague.

Meanwhile, the Czech Army newspaper "Obrana Lidu" denounced "merciless justice" toward all "traitors and class enemies" discovered in the continuing purge of the army.

"Obrana Lidu" said that Communist-ordered reform of Czechoslovak justice must also be applied sternly by military tribunals.

"Our military courts must root out all traitors and class enemies," the paper said. "It would be a crime against the people for our justice to spare such enemies. Judges must aim to create Socialism."

On the labour front, Press attacks intensified on work-shirkers especially among the miners.

Premier's Order

The youth newspaper "Mlada Fronta" reported that the miners in one big nationalised enterprise at Ostrava had cost the nation 104,601 tons of coal estimated at 43,000,000 crowns through absenteeism in eight months.

The Prime Minister, Antonin Zapotocky, chief of the Czech Trade Unions, ordered that production be increased not only in the factories but also in prisons and forced labour camps.

M. Zapotocky told Prague trade unionists at a week-end congress of plans for diverting prison labour to productive work in the hope that the prisoners would "re-establish themselves in our new society."

According to the report of his speech issued today, he said that the best trade union officials must be detailed to the task of "lifting them up in our midst."

Shock Workers

They must be told: "Dear Friend, if you are making efforts for building our Republic then we are changing our attitude towards you."

He recommended that the principles of the shock worker system should be explained to them with the offer of increased pay should they become shock workers themselves.

These prisoners would be sent to the foundries, not to torture them and give them heavy work, but to "make decent citizens out of them."

Meanwhile, all Czechoslovak priests will be required to give an oath of loyalty to the "People's Democratic regime" after November 1, the Cabinet announced today.

Church Control

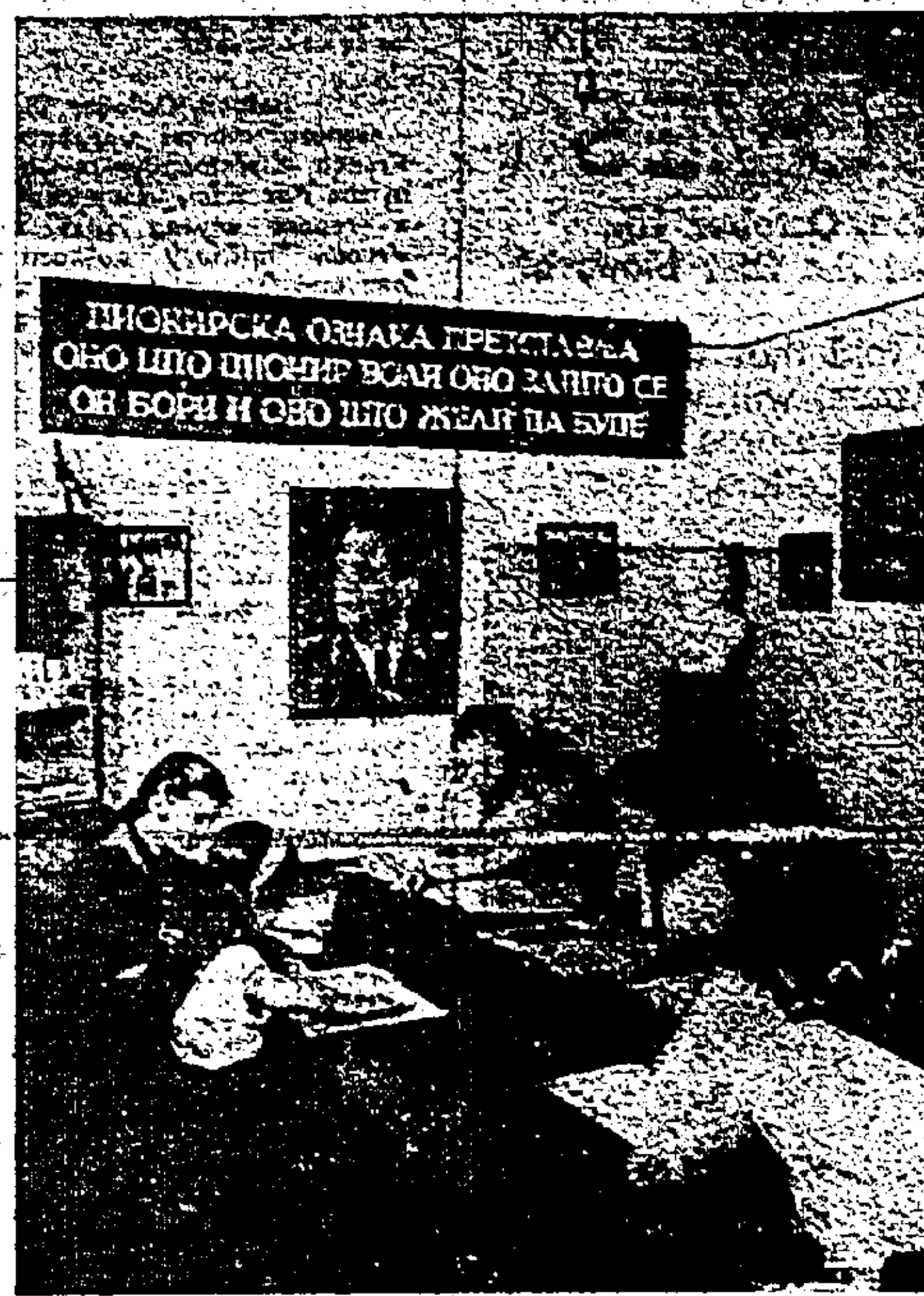
They must do this in order to obtain their state salaries. This was among the series of decrees approved by the Cabinet today which put into effect the new Church laws passed by the Nationalist Assembly last Friday.

The new laws place control of the Churches in a new State Department to be established by a Government decree.

The Cabinet announcement said that priests and clergymen would remain as employees of their churches but would be paid their salaries by the State "in so far as they are found to be in agreement with the State."

The new State Department will also administer the property of the Church and will pass all Church appointments according to the "reliability" of the priests, including bishops.—Associated Press and Reuter.

Children's Town



These young Yugoslavian girls are busy with their books in the library of their own town on the outskirts of Belgrade. In the background is a portrait of Marshal Tito. The children are spending a month holiday, at the expense of the Government at the children's town, which was built in 1946 on the site of a former German and aircraft factory. The town is run by, and for the children. They elect a council and committee, run a miniature railway and post office, and swarm over planes, battleships and merry-go-rounds. The entrance to the town is guarded by youngsters, armed with toy Tommy guns. (Associated Press Photo).

Heavy Toll Of Flood In Guatemala

Guatemala City, October 18.
A Foreign Office spokesman today, estimated the death toll at more than 1,000, with 70,000 homeless, as a result of torrential rains in Guatemala.
The rains washed out highways and railways, isolated several towns, caused heavy crop damage and posed a problem of acute food shortages.
Many were killed when water collapsed mud houses. Guatemala has informed the American State Department that preliminary estimates show that the total damage may be near "catastrophic proportions." — Associated Press.

Caronia's Mishap

Southampton, October 18.
The Cunard White Star Line's new dollar-earning cruise ship Caronia was slightly damaged on her arrival here today when a 50-mile an hour gust of wind swung her round against the quay wall.
Two plates on the starboard side, about 20 feet above the water line and almost below the bridge, were slightly dented.
The hull of the 34,100-ton liner was grazed for about 50 feet.
Tugs soon got her under control and she was safely berthed.
The ship, designed for luxurious West Indian cruises, arrived from Le Havre, France, after crossing from New York.—Reuter.

CHINESE RED TRADE GROUP WERE IN TOKYO

New York, October 18.

A four-man Chinese Communist trade mission arrived last August in Tokyo to negotiate the purchase of Japanese rail equipment for North China railroads, according to a recently returned export executive today.
Herman Yaros, President of Yaros and Company, said he was introduced to one member of the mission by a Chinese newspaperman in Tokyo.

He said, "The occupation authorities must have known that they were there otherwise they would be unable to obtain a military entry permit."

Mr. Yaros said he could not give their names but they said they had come to talk over trade possibilities between Communist China and Japan.
He added, "One came over to our Tokyo offices and left specifications for some rolling stock but so far there has been nothing done about it."

Mr. Yaros said the group arrived by plane in Tokyo on August 10. "I assume they flew in from Korea. It is relatively simply for the Communists to slip into the American zone, board one of the commercial lines and come to Japan."

One member of the delegation visited the offices of SCAP. As I understand it they plan to obtain this rail equipment for Manchurian railroads especially between Tientsin and Peking. There is already trade between Japan and Red China, much of it coming from Russian-held Dairen."

SCAP's Views

Mr. Yaros said he had a personal meeting with General MacArthur, Supreme Commander in Japan. He added, "General MacArthur told me he favoured some sort of an understanding between Communist China and Japan but not recognition of Red China."

General MacArthur realized that Japan is paying too much for coal and iron ore in the steel industry and believes that if such could be imported from North China, Japan could produce steel far more cheaply. In return, Mr. Yaros said, Japan would send machinery equipment and manufactured goods to Red China.

Mr. Yaros said that when he met General MacArthur personally, there was no mention of a Chinese trade mission's arrival.

in Tokyo nor did they discuss the question of whether the United States should recognise Red China.

"General MacArthur, however, clearly favours obtaining raw materials from Communist China in exchange for Japanese manufactured goods—provided it is not war material."

British Trade With Reds

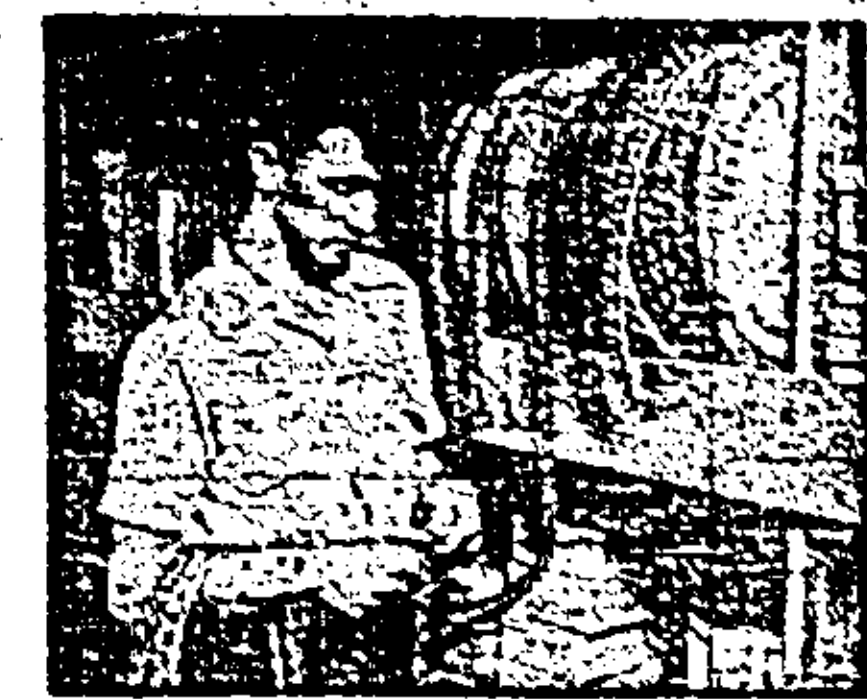
Mr. Yaros said he too opposed recognising the Chinese Communists but favoured doing business with them. He conceded that the Chinese Communists "trick" as they would like to trade with us and earn dollars, may demand recognition as a condition for resuming trade."

Mr. Yaros also said that doing business with the Communists was "in a sense some type of recognition." He reported that members of the British mission in Japan favour an informal agreement for trade purposes with the Chinese Communists and that the British at present are "doing more business with them than we are."

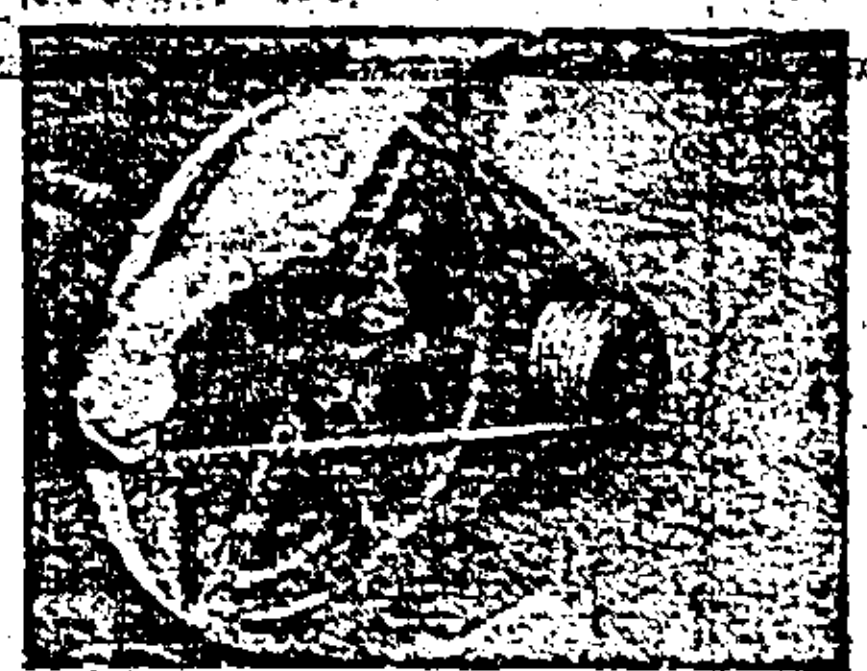
Mr. Yaros said the British officials he interviewed in Manila also favour some understanding with the Chinese Communists. He reported that the Chinese Nationalist blockade in Shanghai by naval forces and planes is proving effective.—United Press.

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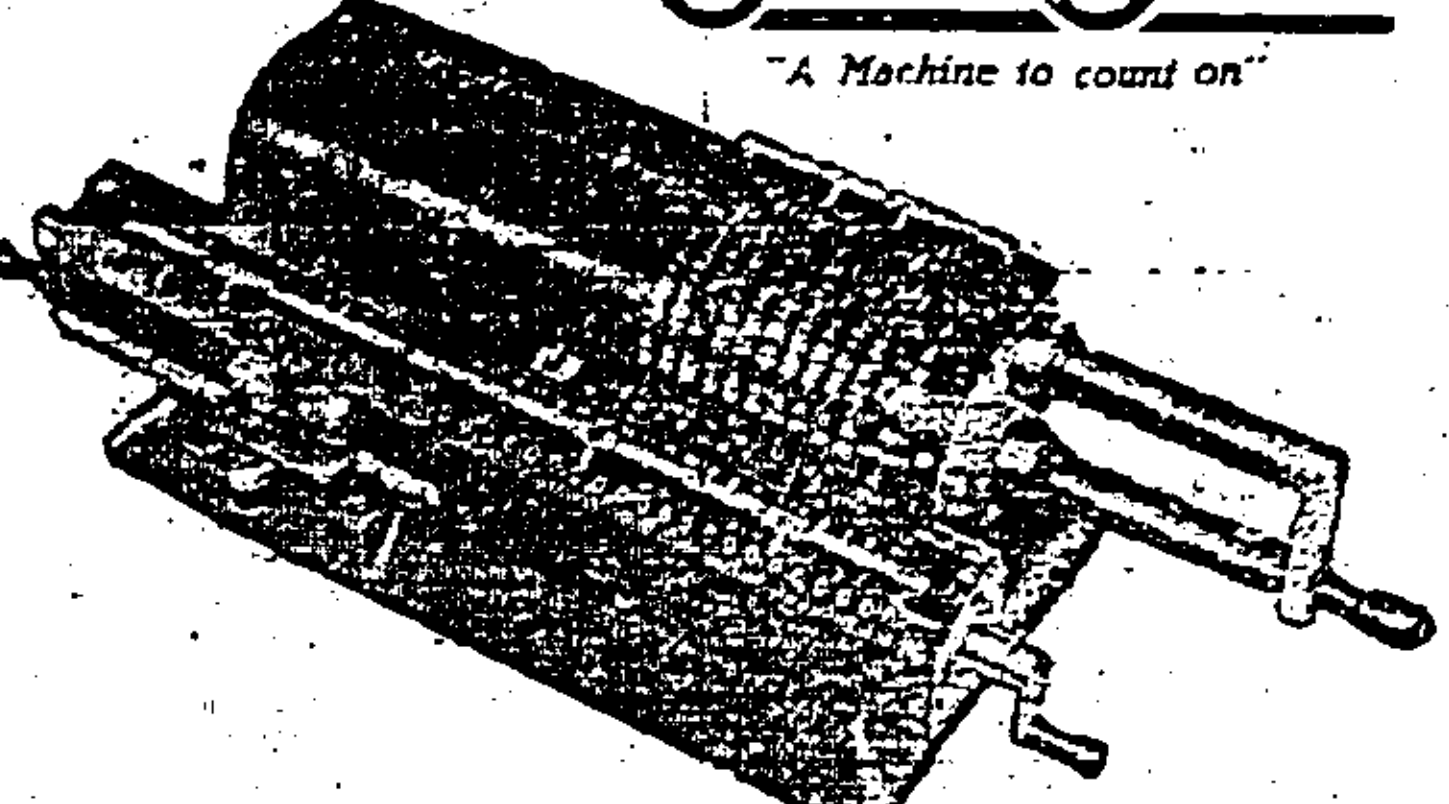
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Italians To Have Trusteeship Over Somaliland

Lake Success, October 18.

The 21-nation sub-committee studying disposition of the former Italian colonies today voted 12 to eight, with India abstaining, in favour of Italian-administered trusteeship for Somaliland.

The vote, which is considered in United Nations circles as a major diplomatic victory for Italy, came after a daylong debate on the form of UN trusteeship to be placed over Somaliland pending its independence, which the committee had agreed should come in not more than 10 years.

The United States, Britain and France favoured the motion and were supported by the Latin American delegations of Guatemala, Argentina, Mexico, Brazil and Chile.

Pakistan joined the Soviet bloc in opposing it in favour of direct UN trusteeship. India abstained from voting as her delegate, Sir Benegal Rama Rau, explained that he could not favour any form of trusteeship without knowing in advance what controls would be exercised over the administering power or powers and by whom.

The sub-committee defeated the proposal for direct UN supervision in Somaliland by a vote of nine to 12. It then similarly turned down a plan for multilateral administration by an unstated number of powers, by a vote of four to 12 with five abstentions.

The United States accused Russia of "sharp and naked hostility toward Italy" in a heated exchange of charges by East and West during the debate on disposition of the colonies.

Dr. Philip Jessup (US) told the sub-committee he was "deeply shocked" by the contention of Anastas Arbutunian (Soviet Russia) that Italy was unfit to administer her former colony of Somaliland because of "her ruth-

less and ferocious tradition of colonial exploitation."

Britain Shocked

G.L. Clutton (Britain) joined the attack on Mr. Arbutunian, saying, "I am also shocked by these references to Italy. It is hard to see how they could come from the source they did when it is recalled that until December 1948, the Soviet Union was the staunchest supporter of returning all former colonies to Italy."

Mr. Clutton's reference was to the fact that Russia, during its propaganda campaign to strengthen the Communist Party in Italy a year ago, strongly urged that Italy be given back her pre-war African possessions—Libya, Eritrea and Somaliland.

G.P. Jooste (South Africa) supported the plan for Italian trusteeship in detail and emphasised that the rights of the Somali people would be taken into account.

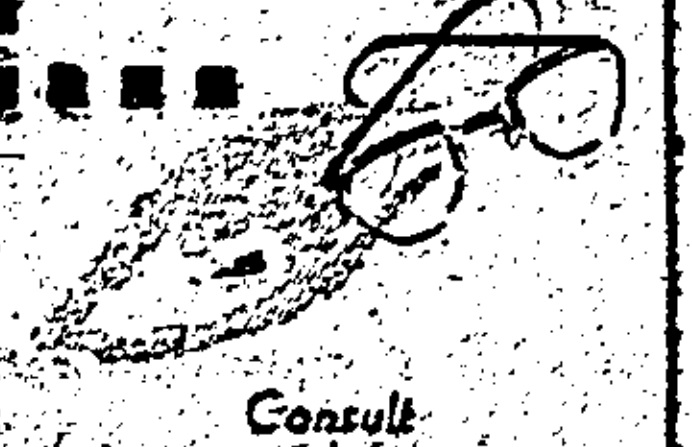
"Collective trusteeship has never been successful," he stated. "It does not allow of stability or continuity in administration. The principle of single responsibility might result in the same type of disagreements which plague opposing forces in the United Nations."

He added that while some Somalis might not favour Italy, a substantial proportion of the population did.—United Press.



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MR. ATTLEE TO SPEAK ON NEW CRISIS MOVES

London, October 18.

The Government today delayed the first blows of its economy axe. The House of Commons was told that the Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, will wait until Monday to outline new measures to cut Government costs and save dollars.

Many Conservative and Labour Members of Parliament had expected Mr. Attlee's statement this week, probably on Thursday. Mr. Anthony Eden reminded the Deputy Prime Minister, Mr. Herbert Morrison of this.

"The Prime Minister is anxious to make the statement as soon as possible," replied Mr. Morrison. "The House will appreciate the fact that a number of departments involved which must be properly consulted if efficient and firm conclusions are to be reached."

"I do not think the Prime Minister will be able to make the statement until Monday," Mr. Morrison's reply indicated that Mr. Attlee's economy axe may have chipped into some political considerations.



MR. ATTLEE.

Dollar Imports

The Cabinet studied the cuts drawn up at five recent meetings of its economic policy committee. The Cabinet plans another meeting on Thursday and perhaps a further one the following Monday.

More meetings of the Economic Policy Committee are also expected.

Chief ways of cutting expenditure so far considered appear to be slashes in administrative expense, Government building and dollar imports.

Most important of these, to the average Briton, are the dollar imports of food and his scarce cigarettes are bought with dollars. Associated Press.

Bandit Henchman Captured

Palermo, October 18.

Creeping under cover of the night and among rocky scree, police today surprised a 40-year-old bandit—a henchman of the Sicilian bandit "king", Salvatore Giuliano—and his girl wife in the cave hide-out.

The police grabbed the gangster, Santo Calascibetta, before he could reach for his weapons—two sub-machine-guns, two revolvers, a rifle, three daggers and 18 hand-grenades.

He was wanted for seven murders, four kidnappings and many robberies.

Calascibetta secretly married his Sicilian wife two years ago after escaping from prison.

In another hide-out, the 40-year-old Salvatore Giuliano, a bandit who was traced through letters that he wrote to his only surviving son. This son escaped through the police dragnet and was smuggled into the United States two months ago by an underground route.

The old man's other two sons, aged 19 and 23, have been killed in fighting.

The police today also captured a third bandit, so far unnamed.

During their search, they found a man's body with the head cut off. —Reuter.

Belgrade, October 18.

A Yugoslav trade delegation headed by the Yugoslav Minister to Italy left for Rome today to negotiate on reparations amounting to \$125 million and on other questions arising from the peace treaty. —Reuter.

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ANSWER WAS "NO"

London, October 18.

The House of Commons was told today that Russia is not giving away any atomic information and that Britain is not asking for it.

Phil Piratin, Communist Member of Parliament, asked: "In view of the refusal of the United States Government to give the British Government information in the technical use of atomic energy, will the Prime Minister consider approaching the Soviet Government in order to obtain this information?"

Replying for the Government, Christopher Mayhew, Foreign Under-Secretary, said: "The Foreign Secretary does not accept the statement in the first part of this question. The answer to the question is no."

Mr. Piratin replied: "It is not the case that a few months ago our Government and the Government of Canada made a request to the United States for such information and were refused it? Is it not the case that in the Soviet Union atomic energy is now being used for industrial purposes and as there is need in this country for increasing productivity, is it not in our national interest to seek this information?"

Replying Mr. Mayhew: "So far the Soviet Government has shown itself reluctant to part with information of this kind." —Associated Press.

GIFT PARCELS DISAPPEAR

Rome, October 18.

The Naples police are investigating the disappearance of nearly 6,000 gift parcels of sugar and coffee which had been sent from the United States to Italy in the last six months.

The parcels, containing a total of 80 tons of sugar and 30 tons of coffee, were dispatched by the American Christian Organisation and by Capuchin monks at San Francisco, California, to institutions at Pozzuoli, near Naples, between April and August this year.

Only 455 of the original 6,277 parcels were ever delivered. The police believe that they were "diverted" to the black market after reaching Naples. —Reuter.

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Saigon Denies Talks With Chinese

Saigon, October 18.

General Marcel Carpentier, French Commander-in-Chief in the Far East, today denied a report saying that the French military authorities had met General Lu Han, the Chinese Governor of Yunnan Province, to discuss joint Franco-Chinese defence of Tonkin-Yunnan frontier territory.

General Carpentier added that he would meet Field Marshal Sir William Slim, Chief of the British Imperial General Staff, in Saigon shortly.

General Boyer de la Tour, for two years the French Commander-in-Chief in South Vietnam, is returning to France at his own request. He will be succeeded by General Chanson, it was learned in official quarters here. —Reuter.

MISSING ENVOY

Karachi, October 18.

Lieutenant-Colonel Mohammad Sadiq, Pakistan's Consul-General designate in Sinkiang who left Gilgit, Northern Kashmir, for Sinkiang 25 days ago, is still missing.

Despite enquiries at the border post and an urgent telegram to the Governor of Sinkiang, the Consul-General has not been traced. It has been confirmed, however, that Colonel Sadiq crossed the border and entered Sinkiang. —Associated Press.

UN FAILS TO SETTLE DISPUTE IN BALKANS

Lake Success, October 18.

The President of the General Assembly, Carlos Romulo, today reported the failure of United Nations conciliators to bring about agreement between Greece and her Northern neighbours. Mr. Romulo sent a letter to the Assembly's political Committee reporting, for the conciliation group, "with regret that, in spite of its best efforts, it was unable to develop a basis of conciliation on which agreement could be reached between the Governments of Albania, Yugoslavia, Bulgaria and Greece."

Although the report did not say so, informed sources said the talks collapsed last night when Albania, with ostensible Russian backing, insisted that its border dispute with Greece concerning the age-old dispute over the territory of Epirus must be settled now.

These sources said only Greece and Yugoslavia had accepted any part of the "peace formula" advanced by Mr. Romulo and his co-conciliators, the Secretary-General, Trygve Lie, the chairman of the Political Committee, Lester Pearson, and the vice-chairman, Selim Sarper.

Mr. Romulo reported that these four officials, empowered by the Political Committee on September 28 to conduct conciliation negotiations among all interested parties—including Russia, the United States and Britain—had held 29 meetings in an effort to settle peace in the Balkans.

His report said the committee believes that discussions served a useful purpose in clarifying

and, in some cases, narrowing points of difference between the Governments concerned and could serve as a starting point in case future conditions warrant resumption of the Committee's work.

No Alternative

"In the meantime, the Conciliation Committee has no alternative but to suspend its activities in order that the First (Political) Committee may resume its discussion of the question of threats to the political independence and territorial integrity of Greece."

Russia had been reported earlier in the discussions to have offered tentative concessions in the Balkan issue. However, according to informed sources, the Kremlin "froze" over the week-end under accusations in various parts of the world that it was "selling out" the Greek Communist guerrillas.

The Soviet attitude in the last sessions of the conciliation committee were said to have been unyielding. Collapse of the UN

conciliation talks left the possibility of a separate peace between Yugoslavia and Greece.

Panayotis Pipinidis (Greece) asked the committee chairman, Lester Pearson (Canada), whether the conciliation committee planned to explain its reasons for failure. Mr. Pearson said a detailed report would be submitted within three or four days.

Julius Kaut-Suchy (Poland) said the Political Committee should immediately start action to prevent further executions in Greece. He said action was more urgent now that Katherine Zevros, widow of a dead guerrilla leader, had been sentenced to death a second time.

"I wonder how the promises (of suspension of death sentences and of leniency) made by Mr. Pipinidis look now?"

Mr. Kaut-Suchy also appealed for intervention to save the life of a physician, Spyros Kritsikis.

Mr. Pearson said the detailed report of the conciliation committee would cover all aspects of the Greek question. He added, however, that he would discuss the matter of appeal with Mr. Romulo.

The committee then agreed to adjourn until Friday, when it will take up the sub-committee report on the former Italian colonies. The report on Greece will not be discussed until next week.

A Polish motion for a meeting tomorrow to discuss the Soviet "peace proposals" was rejected six to five with eight abstentions. —United Press.

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INDONESIA TALKS:

AGREEMENT POSSIBLE
BY END OF OCTOBER

The Hague, October 18.

Sultan Hamid, President of West Borneo, said here today that the Dutch and Indonesian delegations are "practically certain to reach an overall agreement" by the end of October at their round-table conference on the future status of Indonesia.

Giving his personal views, the Sultan stated at a press conference that there is "no deadlock" in the discussions.

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9.30—"Take It From Here"—with Joy Nichols, Dick Bentley and Jimmy Edwards, the BBC Home Orchestra (H.B.C.S.).

9.45—"From the Editorial" (London Relay).

10.15—"British Justice"—A Trial—Written and Produced by Jennifer Wayne (H.B.C.S.).

10.45—"Manhattan Moods"—"Dance Time" with Edith Le Mar (Piano) and His Orchestra.

10.50—"Thursday Serenade"—A Programme of Continuo Music Arranged by Betty Brown.

11.00—"Radio New Post" (London Relay).

11.15—"Weather Report and Summary of News" (London Relay).

11.20—"Close Down."

11.25—"Up with the Sun"—Bright Music to Start the Day.

7.30—"Musical Clock"—Variety Orchestra and Soloists.

8.00—"The Evening Lighter Programme"—(The Ed. A. Keller Show).

8.30—"News and Weather Forecast"—From Rediffusion (Studio).

8.45—"Music by Marianne"—Charles Macnab and his Quartet.

9.00—"Good Morning"—Variety and Light Music.

9.30—"Thursday's Music"—(Relay from Manila).

10.00—"Morning Melody"—Featuring Phil Brito Victoria Cordova, the Gail Sisters and Ray Shield and his Orchestra.

10.30—"Concise"—Keyboard—(Relay from Manila).

11.00—"Music for All"—(Relay from Manila).

12.00—"H.K. Stock Exchange"—(A. Daily Business Service).

12.15—"Tune Time"—(Hank D'Amico and his Sextet with Soloists).

12.30—"Internal Signal."

12.35—"From the Film"—(Relay).

1.00—"Light Variety"—(Relay).

1.15—"News"—(Relay).

1.30—"Orchestra of the Week"—(Relay).

2.00—"Variety Calls the Tune"—Potpourri of Light Classical Music.

4.15—"Tropics"—(Music of S. America).

4.30—"Vocally Yours"—(Song Stylings by Maurice Williams, Frank Sinatra and Doris Day).

5.00—"Music Makers"—(Tommy Dorsey and his Orchestra).

5.15—"Children's Corner"—(With Betty Brito).

5.30—"Movie Time"—(Stories and Music from the Film Studios).

6.00—"Music by Paul Weston"—(Music in Waltz Time).

6.15—"New Behind"—The Melody—(Life Story of Modern Song-Writers).

6.30—"Light Orchestra"—(Relay).

7.00—"Listen to Liberty"—(Gilmans)—(From the Radio City Music Hall, New York City).

7.15—"Smile Awhile"—(Dance Music).

7.30—"The Gaites Programme"—"The Story of Flight"—(Unrealisation of the History of Aviation).

7.45—"The Super-Cola Programme"—(The Sweetest Serenades and the Voice of Charles Jordan, Tenor).

8.00—"BBC News"—(Relay from London).

8.15—"South American"—(Music from the Latin-American Cabarets).

8.30—"Take it from Here"—(BBC Feature Relay).

9.00—"Twenty Minute Theatre"—("Oh, Sweet Mystery of Life").

9.30—"The Salon Concert"—(Max Hollander conducting the Strins Orchestra).

10.00—"BBC News"—(Relay from London).

The Dutch Prime Minister, M. Willem Drees, who is also the chairman of the round-table conference on Indonesia, today discussed the military situation with the Indonesian Republic Prime Minister, Dr. Mohammad Hatta.

The two statesmen also discussed the present stage of the conference.

The Indonesian Republic President, Dr. I. R. Soekarno, has informed the Republic delegation here that he will do all he can to solve the military difficulties in East Java—the main trouble spot.

Republican sources here said today that they were "less pessimistic" about the military situation than their Minister of Defence, the Sultan of Jogjakarta, who declared over the week-end that there was a danger of an armed conflict "spreading throughout Java and Sumatra."

The Republicans here thought that these remarks were "too gloomy" in view of the present relationships at the conference. They said that there was insufficient understanding in Indonesia of the conciliatory spirit here owing to the difficulty of diffusing news to some parts of the archipelago.

Situation at Sourabaya

They thought that as soon as news of positive conference results had "seeped through" it would have a calming effect.

The situation around the big East Java port of Sourabaya in particular, the Republicans said, was the result of "misunderstanding."

They thought that "the Dutch authorities in some parts of Java show less understanding and tact than the Dutch in Batavia."

Great conference activity is now going on in the financial and economic field, where the parties

Debt Problem

There has been no Dutch reaction to the last Indonesian proposal that they would be prepared to assume 3.4 milliard guilders of debt to Holland.

The Dutch view is understood to be that the parties should arrive at a final total on the basis of the detailed figures supplied to the mediating sub-committee.

Despite the differences of view, the parties are working hard to clear up the problem. Meetings are being held throughout the day and sometimes late into the night.

It was announced later that the Steering Committee had taken no decisions today. But Sultan Hamid told a press conference that the Committee had "discussed the situation in East Java in a very pleasant atmosphere."

Sultan Hamid, who is chairman of the Indonesian Federalist delegation said that the Indonesians wanted sovereignty to be transferred to them by about the middle of December.

He said that informal talks on the actual transfer date had begun, but no decisions had been made.—Reuter.

Indonesians
Accused By
Chinese

Batavia, October 18.—Indonesian Republican troops have been accused of extorting "protection" money from Chinese communities in towns within areas largely controlled by Republican forces.

The accusation was made by the Co-ordinating Office of the All-Indonesia Federation of Chinese Associations, which has sent protests to the Dutch Crown Commissioner, the Republican Minister of Defence, the Sultan of Jogjakarta, and the Chinese representatives at The Hague conference.

A prominent Chinese business man operating a food transport service from Bandung to Rangoon, that he paid 10,000 guilders monthly to various Republican junior commanders as "insurance" against looting of his lorries. In one case, he said, the "premium" demanded was 20,000 cigarettes.—Reuter.

MOTHER
TO HANG

London, October 18.

Mrs. Norah Patricia Tierney, 28-year-old mother of two children, was sentenced to death in the Central Criminal Court today for the murder of a neighbour's three-year-old daughter after she had testified to seeing her husband commit it.

When the trial opened yesterday the husband, James Tierney, testified that his wife had told him: "It was I who have done it" after the child had been found battered to death last August in a derelict house in North-West London.

Today Mrs. Tierney told the Court that she had seen her husband striking the child with a hammer in the house where she had gone to look for him. The prosecution alleged that there was no evidence to connect Mr. Tierney with the crime but "ample evidence" against Mrs. Tierney. The police said that her right shoe fitted the prints found in the house and coloured fibres found under her nails corresponded to those of the murdered child's cardigan.—Reuter.

POST OFFICE
MAIL NOTICE

OUTWARD AIR MAIL FOR U.K. The outward air mail for United Kingdom, scheduled to close at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, October 25, will now close on Friday, October 21, 1949, at CPO Kowloon 4.30 p.m. and CPO Hong Kong 5 p.m. (Registered mail half an hour earlier).

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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21: Closing Times by Air: (Reg.) 9 a.m. (Ord.) 9.45 a.m.

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Airmail for Singapore, Sourabaya, Batavia and Auckland, (Reg.) 4.30 p.m. (Ord.) 5 p.m.

Closing Times by Sea: Manila, 10 a.m.

Japan and Canada via Vancouver BC, (Par. and Reg.) 4.20 p.m. (Ord.) 5 p.m.

Singapore, 3 p.m.

Batavia, 3 p.m.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22: Closing Times by Air: (Reg.) 12 noon. (Ord.) 12.30 p.m.

British General
Denies Charges

London, October 18.

Major-General Sir Edward Spears, British Minister to Syria and the Lebanon during the later war years, today hotly denied that he had carried out any hidden policy of the British Government to throw the French out of the Levant.

General Spears told a news conference here that "gross libels" against himself, and "extremely serious misstatements" concerning British policy in the Middle East, had been made by General Georges Catroux in a book of memoirs reproduced in the French daily newspaper "Le Figaro."

He said that he had called a meeting of the Press as the only way of defending himself, after the editor of "Le Figaro" had refused to publish his reply to General Catroux's accusations.

General Spears said that in 1948, as soon as the Syrians and the Lebanese had the chance they demanded the withdrawal of the French. "That could not have been effected by one man, however designing, had the French behaved in a way to command the Arabs' respect," General Spears added.

In reply to General Catroux's charges, that "he had poisoned the Arabs against the French for British interests and his own personal vanity," General Spears said that Britain had "failed to establish the Free French in Syria because a least 1,000 official functionaries of the Vichy Administration remained, and Catroux refused a purge."

"This caused serious difficulties with the Arabs and necessitated British intervention," General Spears added.

"The French breakdown in the Middle East came from a change of policy. The Free French came in with a definite promise to Syria and Lebanon of independence. As they were only a party, the British Government had to guarantee that promise," General Spears said.

"Later the French wanted to make that independence dependent on the terms of a treaty," he added. "Catroux and de Gaulle attempted to appoint a government and fix a treaty with it, but the British insisted on elections."

"That resulted in a Nationalist party demanding the promised powers."

Answering General Catroux's charges that he had "taken advantage of the momentary weaknesses of France to rouse the Syrians and Lebanese to take up arms against her," General Spears said that the final overthrow of France—in the Levant—had come in 1945, after he had left.

"The French sent black troops to intimidate the Syrian and Lebanese Governments, and when these refused to negotiate under duress, the French opened fire on Damascus, causing 1,000 casualties," he said.

"Then, and only then, did the British Army throw the French out"—Reuter.

AP MAN DEAD

Elkhart, Indiana, October 18.—Max Hill, aged 45, former Associated Press Bureau Chief at Tokyo, died in his hotel room here today.

Hill, an official of the Wade Advertising Agency at Chicago, was found dead in bed at the Elkhart Hotel on Monday afternoon. Death was caused by acute coronary occlusion, a circulatory ailment.—Associated Press.

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FINANCE AND COMMERCE

DELEGATES CLASH AT ECAFE TALKS

Singapore October 18.

N.Y. Stock Exchange

New York, October 18.

Aircraft and radio and television stocks took over leadership of a market which, by and large, was in a quiet mood and in a few cases the day's best prices were reached.

Numerous issues established new highs for the year on gains running from fractions to more than a point. Turnover hit a rate of 1,210,000 shares for the session.

The rally was a fast rebound from Monday's decline, which had been the largest in a month.

Douglas Aircraft jumped more than three points at one time and Lockheed added more than a point. Fractional gains were made by Boeing and United Aircraft. Higher prices were paid for Admiral Corporation, Emerson Radio, Philco, Radio Corporation, American Broadcasting, Zenith and Magnavox. Homestead Mining was a soft spot with a loss of more than a point.

Demand for aircraft stocks was linked with news that a Congressional committee had agreed to supply funds for a 58-group air force.

De Jones averages: Stocks 66.76; 20 Industrials 186.12; 15 Rails 49.21; 10 Utilities 38.25.

Adams Express 21
Alaska Juneau 34
American Can 35 1/2
American Smelting 46 1/2
American Telephone 14 1/2
American Tobacco 7 1/2
American Waterworks 7 1/2
Anacosta Copper 2 1/2
Aviation Corp. 6
Baldwin Locomotive 10 1/2
Barnes 50 1/2
Bendix Aviation 32 1/2
Bethlehem Steel 26 1/2
Boeing Aircraft 22 1/2
Borden Co. 46 1/2
Canadian Pacific 14 1/2
Case 37 1/2
Chrysler 53 1/2
Colgate 40
Commercial Solvents 17 1/2
Coca-Cola 64 1/2
Du Pont 53 1/2
Eastman Kodak 43 1/2
General Electric 37 1/2
General Motors 64 1/2
Goodrich 62 1/2
Goodyear 29 1/2
Homestead Mining 47 1/2
International Harvester 26 1/2
International Paper 63 1/2
International Tel & Tel 9 1/2
Johns Manville 42 1/2
Kennecott Copper 47 1/2
Montgomery Ward 52 1/2
National Distillers 21 1/2
National Lead 32
New York Central 10 1/2
Packard Motors 33 1/2
Pan American Airways 8 1/2
Pennsylvania RR 14 1/2
Radio Corp. 13 1/2
Real Silk 11 1/2
Remington Rand 10 1/2
Republic Steel 20 1/2
Reynolds Tobacco 28 1/2
Schenley 28 1/2
Sears Roebuck 42 1/2
Shell Oil 39 1/2
Socony Vacuum 17 1/2
Southern Pacific 44
Standard Brands 21
Standard Oil of Calif. 67 1/2
Standard Oil of N. J. 71 1/2
Studebaker 24 1/2
Union Bag 26
Union Carbide 40 1/2
US Rubber 23 1/2
US Steel 24
US Lines 15 1/2
Westinghouse 28 1/2
Youngstown Sheet & Tube 67 1/2
Gen. Pub. Utilities 15 1/2
—Associated Press.

* No passenger accommodation available.

China Delegates

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The United States delegate to the United Nations For Eastern Economic Conference sharply criticised the Soviet spokesman for "delivering a diatribe" against the International Bank and the United States.

The Ambassador to the Philippines, Mr. Myron M. Cowen, spoke up after the Soviet delegate, S. S. Nemtchina, Minister to Thailand, charged the Bank's officials with meddling in the internal politics of other nations.

Mr. Nemtchina contended that the influence of the U.S. played an important role as did the political considerations in determining loans.

He said the Soviet Union could not accept putting countries in the ECAFE under the control of the International Bank as far as financing projects were concerned.

Mr. Cowen retorted he could not permit the most recent Soviet diatribe to pass without comment.

He stressed that the Bank could and must take its own conditions of granting loans, observing that "no country within or without the region is under any obligation to borrow from the Bank."

"Utterly Bad"

He said the U.S. had only 32,000 of \$5,110 votes as recorded in the Bank's third annual report. He added the Bank was anxious to indicate the desire to be of every possible help to nations needing financial aid.

He also said: "For this body to attempt to dictate to the International Bank on the character and priority of loans is utterly bad."

The discussion arose during a debate on the report of priority and the progress of industrial development projects as part of the meeting of industry and trade which is preparatory to the general conference of ECAFE, starting on October 20.

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Subsidies For U.S. Shipyards

Washington, October 16.

Increased Government subsidies for United States shipbuilding yards to offset lower costs abroad, especially in Britain since devaluation of the Pound Sterling, are now being planned by President Truman.

Major-General Philip B. Fleming, Chairman of the American Maritime Commission, just back from a tour of Europe, announced this after a visit yesterday to the White House where President Truman asked him to draft an amendment to the Merchant Marine Act of 1938.

The act provides a Government subsidy of 50 per cent of the construction cost of merchant vessels to enable American builders to produce on an equal basis with the low-cost foreign yards.

General Fleming said that President Truman had agreed that the provision of 50 per cent maximum be cut from the law leaving only the provision for financial equality.

This would enable the Government to grant subsidies which the Chairman believed, might reach over 60 per cent in the present foreign monetary situation. —Reuter.

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H.K. & S. Bank 14 1/2
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Chartered Bank 13 1/2
H.K. & S. Bank 14 1/2

INSURANCE

Canton Ins. 21 1/2
Union Ins. 6 1/2, 6 1/2, 6 1/2
China Underwriting 5 1/2
H.K. Fire 10 1/2

SHIPPING

Doan's 20 1/2
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POKES, WAREHOUSES, GODOWNS, Etc.

H.K. & S. Wharves 10 1/2
North Point Wharves 11 1/2
Shanghai Wharves 11 1/2
H.K. & S. Wharves 10 1/2

SHANGHAI DOCKYARD 6 1/2
Wharves 2 1/2

MIXING

Rand Mines 11 1/2
H.K. Mines 11 1/2
H.K. Mines 11 1/2

LANDS, HOTELS & BLDGS.

H. & S. Hotels 10 1/2
H.K. Lands 11 1/2, 11 1/2, 11 1/2
Shanghai Lands 11 1/2
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STAMPS 1 1/2
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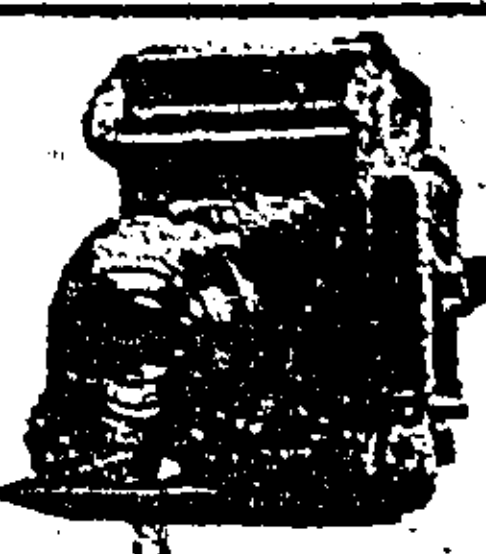
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Real Estate (Old) 15 1/2
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Wolves Should Beat Manchester United

(By "ALBION")

The meeting between Manchester United and Wolverhampton on the former's ground provides the tit-bit in Home football this week. After United's convincing victory at Villa Park last Saturday, when they thrashed Villa to the tune of four goals to nil, this game would suggest that it might be the classic of the year.

With the Wolves still in brilliant form it is certain that they will result to a forecast; they lost 2-1 in the same fixture last year, but by virtue of their consistency I don't think it would be far wrong to predict an away win. Portsmouth's grand win over Derby County last Saturday still keeps them well in the running for championship honours. I see they have slipped into fourth place in this Division. This week they are away to the Hawthorns and should come away with both points.

Birmingham, who have only one win to their credit so far and are lying well at the foot of the Table, are this week Home to Everton and should give the St. Andrew followers a much overdue home win by taking full points.

In the Second Division Spurs, who appear to be running away with this league, are away to Luton Town and should not have much difficulty in taking the spoils from this game.

A Teaser

The Preston North End-Sheffield Wednesday game in this Division sets a teaser, both teams are well placed in the league with only one point separating them—the advantage being to the Wednesday—Preston's recent improvement in form increasing a Home win.

Plymouth's resounding win over Grimsby last week, which incidentally gives them their fifth point out of the last 10, should stand them in good stead for their game against Q.P.R. this week. An away win is predicted.

Last year's winners of the Southern and Northern leagues meet this week at Vetch Field. Both Swansea and Hull are playing extremely good football in the higher sphere and this game should provide one of the highlights of the Division. Swansea is my bet in this game.

Holding Their Own

Notts County in the Southern Division are holding their own at the head of the Table, having still two matches in hand over their nearest rivals, Bournemouth, at present one point behind. This week they are away to Brighton and there should not be much doubt about the result of this game.

Bournemouth should keep well in the running with a win over Swindon. Notts Forest should take full points from Reading. The Cobblers fine win at Exeter last week has kept them in the picture in this league and their game against Q.P.R. on Saturday should mean two more points to their account.

An Excellent Game

The Gateshead-Mansfield match should be an excellent game with the home team, just making the grade. Crewe's fine record to date should stand them in good stead for their match at Rochdale on Saturday. An away win seems a pretty good bet here.

St. J. Corbett Wins First Redwing Race

(By "MAINSHEET BLOCK")

The Autumn Series races started last Saturday in very patchy winds which affected the Dragons and Jubilees in Kowloon Bay as much as the dinghies in Hung Hom Bay.

The best races of the week-end were in Stars, where up to the line it was possible to gain or lose a place so close did some of the boats lie.

The first Redwing Series Race once again admirably won by Mr. St. J. Corbett, who held first place throughout the race followed closely by Miss P. Losoby.

Last week's results were—
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12
Redwing Series Race: 1st Corbett (2); 2nd Losoby (1); 3rd (4); 4th (3); 5th (5); 6th (6); 7th (7); 8th (8); 9th (9); 10th (10).

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15
1st Star Series Race: 1st Corbett (2); 2nd Losoby (1); 3rd (4); 4th (3); 5th (5); 6th (6); 7th (7); 8th (8); 9th (9); 10th (10).

2nd Star Series Race: 1st Corbett (2); 2nd Losoby (1); 3rd (4); 4th (3); 5th (5); 6th (6); 7th (7); 8th (8); 9th (9); 10th (10).

3rd Star Series Race: 1st Corbett (2); 2nd Losoby (1); 3rd (4); 4th (3); 5th (5); 6th (6); 7th (7); 8th (8); 9th (9); 10th (10).

4th Star Series Race: 1st Corbett (2); 2nd Losoby (1); 3rd (4); 4th (3); 5th (5); 6th (6); 7th (7); 8th (8); 9th (9); 10th (10).

5th Star Series Race: 1st Corbett (2); 2nd Losoby (1); 3rd (4); 4th (3); 5th (5); 6th (6); 7th (7); 8th (8); 9th (9); 10th (10).

6th Star Series Race: 1st Corbett (2); 2nd Losoby (1); 3rd (4); 4th (3); 5th (5); 6th (6); 7th (7); 8th (8); 9th (9); 10th (10).

7th Star Series Race: 1st Corbett (2); 2nd Losoby (1); 3rd (4); 4th (3); 5th (5); 6th (6); 7th (7); 8th (8); 9th (9); 10th (10).

8th Star Series Race: 1st Corbett (2); 2nd Losoby (1); 3rd (4); 4th (3); 5th (5); 6th (6); 7th (7); 8th (8); 9th (9); 10th (10).

9th Star Series Race: 1st Corbett (2); 2nd Losoby (1); 3rd (4); 4th (3); 5th (5); 6th (6); 7th (7); 8th (8); 9th (9); 10th (10).

10th Star Series Race: 1st Corbett (2); 2nd Losoby (1); 3rd (4); 4th (3); 5th (5); 6th (6); 7th (7); 8th (8); 9th (9); 10th (10).

11th Star Series Race: 1st Corbett (2); 2nd Losoby (1); 3rd (4); 4th (3); 5th (5); 6th (6); 7th (7); 8th (8); 9th (9); 10th (10).

12th Star Series Race: 1st Corbett (2); 2nd Losoby (1); 3rd (4); 4th (3); 5th (5); 6th (6); 7th (7); 8th (8); 9th (9); 10th (10).

13th Star Series Race: 1st Corbett (2); 2nd Losoby (1); 3rd (4); 4th (3); 5th (5); 6th (6); 7th (7); 8th (8); 9th (9); 10th (10).

14th Star Series Race: 1st Corbett (2); 2nd Losoby (1); 3rd (4); 4th (3); 5th (5); 6th (6); 7th (7); 8th (8); 9th (9); 10th (10).

15th Star Series Race: 1st Corbett (2); 2nd Losoby (1); 3rd (4); 4th (3); 5th (5); 6th (6); 7th (7); 8th (8); 9th (9); 10th (10).

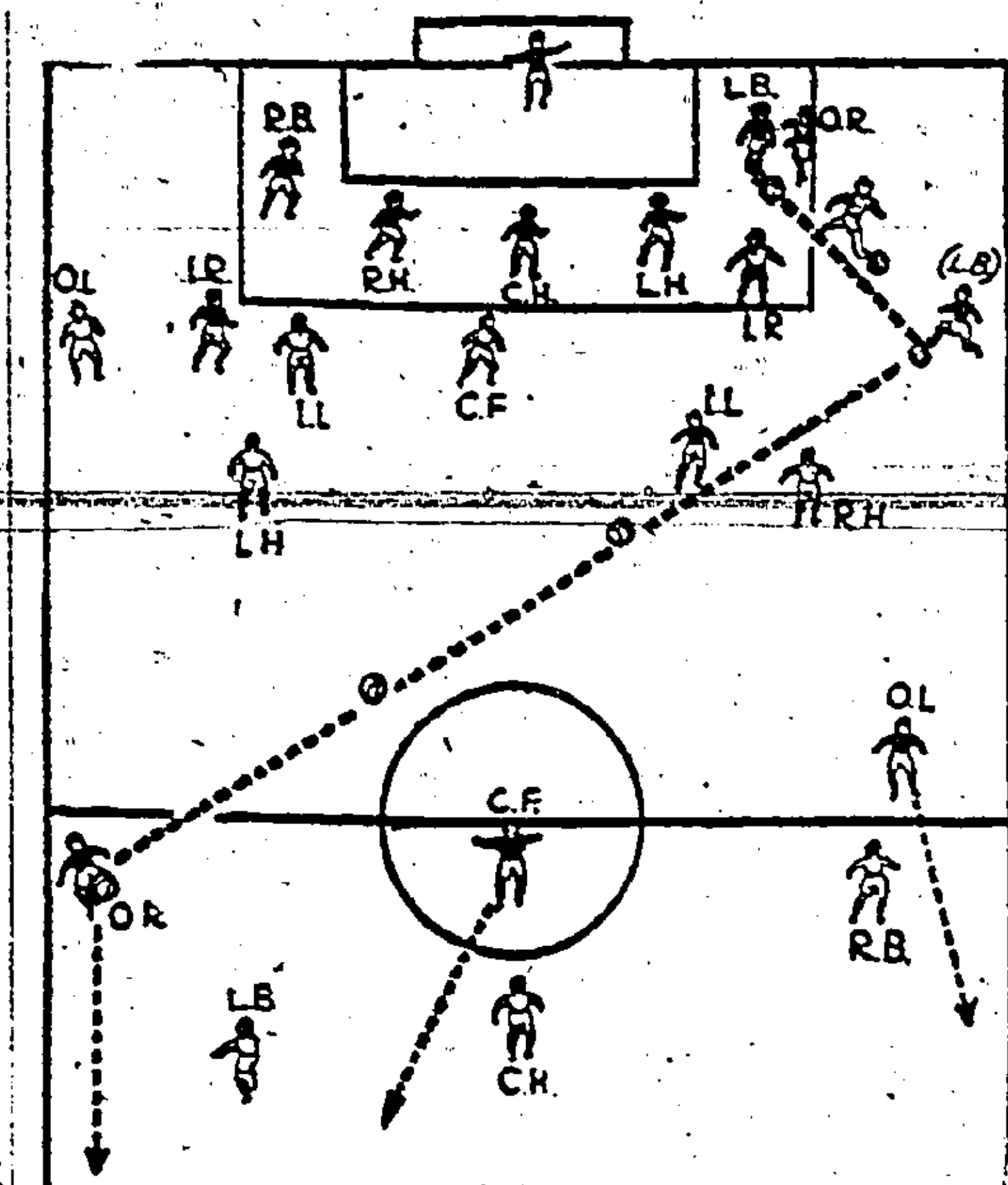
16th Star Series Race: 1st Corbett (2); 2nd Losoby (1); 3rd (4); 4th (3); 5th (5); 6th (6); 7th (7); 8th (8); 9th (9); 10th (10).

17th Star Series Race: 1st Corbett (2); 2nd Losoby (1); 3rd (4); 4th (3); 5th (5); 6th (6); 7th (7); 8th (8); 9th (9); 10th (10).

18th Star Series Race: 1st Corbett (2); 2nd Losoby (1); 3rd (4); 4th (3); 5th (5); 6th (6); 7th (7); 8th (8); 9th (9); 10th (10).

19th Star Series Race: 1st Corbett (2); 2nd Losoby (1); 3rd (4); 4th (3); 5th (5); 6th (6); 7th (7); 8th (8); 9th (9); 10th (10).

20th Star Series Race: 1st Corbett (2); 2nd Losoby (1); 3rd (4); 4th (3); 5th (5); 6th (6); 7th (7); 8th (8); 9th (9); 10th (10).



Finalists In The LRC Ladies Open Doubles

Mrs. Litton and Mrs. Cooper beat Mrs. Chow and Mrs. Ip in straight sets at the Ladies Recreation Club yesterday to qualify for the final of the Colony's Ladies Doubles Tennis Championship sponsored by the LRC.

Mrs. Litton and Mrs. Cooper will be opposed in the final to Mrs. Getz and Mrs. Stroobach, who yesterday beat Mrs. Chiu and Mrs. Fowler.

Results:
COLONY LADIES DOUBLES
Mrs. Litton and Mrs. Cooper beat Mrs. Chow and Mrs. Ip, 6-2, 6-2.

Mrs. Getz and Mrs. Stroobach beat Mrs. Chiu and Mrs. Fowler, 6-4, 6-4.

INTER-BONG
R.R. Oliver and N. Downie beat A. Todd and D.R. Holmes, 6-2, 6-4.

R.E.E. Nelson and A.L. Smith beat W.J.D. Cooper and D. Jones, 6-1, 6-2.

T.J. O'Connell and H.G.W. Rousset beat H.J. Armstrong and W.C. Hunt, 6-4, 6-1.

CEC SINGLES
Edwin Tait beat Capt. A. Stewart, 6-2, 11-9.

Tai Yui-pui beat Capt. Turner-Cooke, 6-1, 6-1.

DOUBLES
K.C. Lai and Pang Olan beat Maj. Mitchell and Capt. Nicholson, 6-4, 6-2.

T. Lee and T. T. Cheong beat K. K. Yip and B. Y. Lo, 6-4, 6-4.

SCHOOLSBOYS
Maurice Ma beat Choy Tui-shin, 6-4, 6-2.

TODAY'S GAMES
AT LRC
Colony Mixed Social-Finals
E. Tait and Mrs. Chow v. Y.P. Tui and Mrs. Ip.

M. Hansen and Mrs. Cooper v. K.H. Ip and Mrs. Ip.

Club Mixed Doubles
S. Sait and Mrs. Tamworth v. F.T. Orr and Mrs. Heinzelinger.

Handicap Mixed Doubles
D.L. Probert and Mrs. Probert v. P. McGeis and Mrs. Ayres.

Handicap Men's Singles
F. Hanley-Williams v. E. Zulauf.

AT CEC
S.N. To and W.K. Ma v. Y.P. and W.J. Tait.

Donald Lo and Norman Lo v. Ip Koon-hung and Edwin Tait.

KCC Tennis Championships
The following are the results of games played in the Kowloon Cricket Club Championships on Wednesday.

Capt. M. Turner Cooke beat A.E.P. Guest 6-4, 6-4, and is now the Finals of the Singles Championship which will be played on Wednesday, October 26.

W.A. Nicholas and Mrs. E. Heinzelinger beat J.C.J. Arzooni and Mrs. J. Lawes 6-3, 6-0, and now meet T. Lo and Mrs. E. Litton who beat E.C. Fincher and Miss P.J. Ward 6-1, 4-6, 6-1.

YESTERDAY'S SOCCER RESULTS

SECOND DIVISION
Army 4 Tai Koo 0
Royal Navy 1 Eastern 2
St. Joseph's 3 Chinese A.A. 1
News Vendors 3 Chinese A.A. 1
RAF 2 S. China 2
Club 4 University 2

TODAY'S SOCCER
FIRST DIVISION
Club v Army
Club, 5.45 p.m.
Referee: P.A. Mooney.

Lineament: A. Ribeiro and C.K. Woo.
Referee: C.H. Vernon.
PCA v Kit Chee
St. Joseph's, 6.15 p.m.
Referee: C.M. Leonard.

SECOND DIVISION
Club, 5.45 p.m.
Referee: L.H. Tang-hai.
Solicitors v Police
Boundary Street, 6.45 p.m.
Referee: C.H. Vernon.

PCA v Kit Chee
St. Joseph's, 6.15 p.m.
Referee: C.M. Leonard.

General Rise Of Prices Decried By Economist
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Britain, in terms of actual purchasing power, has increased some 30 per cent over pre-war. Against this, there has been a great increase in the working population; also much destruction, wearing-out of plant, etc., during the war.

The full replacement of the latter has really only just begun. Increasing returns may be expected from this in the future. In terms of real product per man-hour of work, we have now just about got back to pre-war; and we have a least a million more men at work.

The present disparity with America is in large part due to the advance made in the United States, in terms of real productivity per man-hour, during the war years: the U.S. figure shows an increase of 21 per cent for 1948 over 1938, whereas ours is still at the 100 mark.

"British conditions are comparatively stable. The inflationary pressures are strong in the U.K., but they are well controlled compared to other countries (not excepting the United States) where they have had far more strikes and hold-ups, and where the pressure comes in great waves."

Purchasing Power
"Our situation in the post World War II period compares favourably with that of the post World War I period, in these respects. Social security has to an unprecedented degree been realised in Britain today. In other countries, the big demands of the people under this heading are still to come; in Britain demands of this sort will diminish now. In the twentieth century age of the Welfare State, Britain is off to a flying start, just as she was to the Liberal era and the world trade expansion of a 100 years earlier."

"The whole thing may be summed up by saying that exchange rates, the prices of all currencies in relation to each other, are essentially relative, and have no absolute meaning. There is nothing sacred about any particular figure. A country's economic status, and even its prestige, depends far more on its ability to 'deliver the goods'."

"An especially complicated aspect is the relation between any country's internal and external purchasing power. The internal purchasing power of sterling is well-maintained—not for luxuries, but for the 'things people want first security, and a simple but decent standard of life. The external purchasing power of sterling is weak only in respect of the American dollar, and one or two other gold currencies."

"The fact that devaluation implies an absolute debasement of

Catching The Defence On The Wrong Foot

(By BILL DODGIN, Manager of Fulham)

There are many moves in soccer which catch opponents unawares and may lead to quick goals.

One is a long sweeping pass from a full-back to a winger on the opposite side of the field. Suppose for instance, an attack has been started on the right wing. All the attacking forwards, supported by their half-backs have moved up for the kill.

The right-winger is in possession of the ball, but is dispossessed by the defending left-back. The obvious move is to push the ball forward to the outside-left. But the opposing right-back will anticipate the move and will move in for a quick tackle.

A much more constructive and devastating move is for the left-back to swing the ball out to the right-winger, who has waited on the touchline for such a pass. It is not easy. The left-back must be an accurate kicker.

If the ball is ballooned into the air it will be hard to control and will give the defence time to recover.

But if the ball goes direct to the right-winger he has a chance of cutting in to score or make an opening for the centre-forward or outside-left.

HOCKEY FIXTURES

The following are the Hong Kong Hockey Association fixtures for tomorrow and Sunday.

TOMORROW
KTC v Commandos
Sookunpo, 11.30 a.m.
Umpire: Yeo Gater and L.Tal.

RAF v Navy
Sookunpo, 11.30 a.m.
Umpire: Mr. Palmer and Mr. Xavier.

HEFC v Nomads
King's Park, RNRC No. 1, 10.15 a.m.
Umpire: P.C. Vincent and Capt. McLean.

RAF v Datal
Kai Tak, 10.30 a.m.
Umpire: Mr. Silva and Mr. Grewal.

Commando v YMCA
Sookunpo, 10.30 a.m.
Umpire: Capt. Chinnell and Capt. Whilish.

KTC v Chan's Tea
Boundary St., Police Ground 10.15 a.m.
Umpire: S/Cdr. Padley and Mr. Kuo.

Recreo "A" v HK Police
Recreo Ground, King's Park, 11 a.m.
Umpire: Yeo Gater and Mr. Yikako.

Pak 20 v Recreio "B"
King's Park, RNRC No. 2, 10 a.m.
Umpire: Mr. Goest and L.W. Morrison.

Team Secretaries are requested to ensure the prompt attendance of their teams. A maximum delay of 10 minutes will be allowed. Umpires are asked to inform Yeo Gater, Tel. 31192, the result of their watch before 6 p.m. on Sunday.

It is unable to officiate please fine the above number before 5 p.m. on Friday.

Due to the difficulty in obtaining umpires it would be greatly appreciated if any ex-players of whom there must be a number in the Colony would offer their services. To do so please contact Mr. Gwert, Tel. No. 21250, Mr. Palmer, Tel. 27145 or Yeo Gater, Tel. 31192 (PO's Mail).

SBPO YEOMANS HONoured BY H.K. HOCKEY ASSN.

SB.P.O. Yeomans, last year's Hong Kong Hockey Association Fixture Secretary, who is returning to England, was awarded with a suitably inscribed Umpire's Stop Watch on Monday last by Mr. A. E. P. Guest, President of the Hong Kong Hockey Association, as a token of appreciation for his services.

SB.P.O. Yeomans expressed his deep appreciation to all members of the Association for the gift and hopes to put it to good use in the Old Country, where he aims to continue his hockey activities.

During his tenure of office as Fixture Secretary of the HKHA, SB.P.O. Yeomans was most helpful to the Press and his departure will leave a gap which it will not be easy to fill.

RASC BEAT POLICE
In a one-sided Hong Kong Hockey Association fixture at Sham Shui Po yesterday, Royal Army Service Corps beat Hong Kong Police by seven clear goals.

All standards for the sterling world is a false apprehension. Devaluation implies a more accurate alignment of prices to costs. This is not solely a sudden step by Britain; it is part of the general readjustment of the world economy outside America, which has been going on since the war. Individual countries had previously acted in the same sense: France, for instance devalued much earlier. Now a general devaluation is occurring; it must be viewed in the background of the world situation, as a pressing demand for the expansion of European world trade.

A discussion then followed, in the course of which the speaker answered various questions from the audience. The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to Professor Kirby for his talk.

Many Danes Fanatic Sports Enthusiasts

(By JAMES WHITE)

Although their schools have no organised games, many Danes become fanatic sports enthusiasts when their school days are over. Professionalism in Danish sport, apart from coaches, is almost unknown.

The latest statistics show that no less than 568,480 Danes (about 36 per cent of the population between 15 and 40) are active sportsmen. And the number is constantly increasing.

Most popular sports are football, gymnastics, handball, badminton, tennis, swimming and rowing. Boxing, wrestling and hockey, however, show signs of decreasing in popularity.

A yearly Government grant for the encouragement of sport is divided proportionately among the individual games. This support has a considerable effect on the standard of Danish sport, as much of the money is used for training purposes.

Since football pools were introduced into Denmark a few months ago, no less than 50 per cent of the pool, after the deduction of administration expenses, has been devoted to the encouragement of sport.

Before the pools, a subsidy of about £200 a year was given for the encouragement of badminton. Though this game was introduced from Britain only 24 years ago, it is now one of the most popular of the country's sports.

With 30,000 players, it is more than twice as popular as tennis. Danish badminton players are acknowledged to be the finest in Europe, and this is largely due to a system of organised instruction started 10 years ago.

Teaching Free
Today every club, however small, can obtain instruction through a pool of more than 100 instructors. All teaching is free.

Last year Denmark won the European section of the Thomas Cup tournament, but was beaten by Malaya in the world final.

In Glasgow, next February, the Danes will meet a combined team from England, Scotland and Ireland.

As no part of Denmark is far from the sea, swimming, rowing and sailing play an important part in Danish sports life. At the 1948 Olympic Games Denmark won five gold medals, two for swimming (both by women), and one each for rowing, sailing and kayak rowing.

Girls Win Fame
In swimming it is the girls who win fame. They have more patience in the face of the arduous and difficult training than their brothers.

This is very necessary, as Copenhagen has only three swimming baths, and the whole of Denmark only three. At these it is necessary for even champions to fight their way among hundreds of other bathers.

Danish girls hold no less than 15 world records.

CONCERT AT DBS
The Sino-British Orchestra will give a public concert at the Diocesan Boys' School in Kowloon at 8.30 p.m. today.

The Orchestra, composed of some 40 players, will be directed by Dr. S. M. Bard. They will perform works by Beethoven, Haydn and Purcell.

Julia Lee, soprano, will contribute a number of European and Chinese songs. There will also be Chinese instrumental music by Wong Man-yun and Eupheni Wong.

The concert is to be repeated at St. Stephen's Girls' College, Lytton Road, tomorrow night at the same time.

Tickets are on sale at Moutrie music store in Chater Road.

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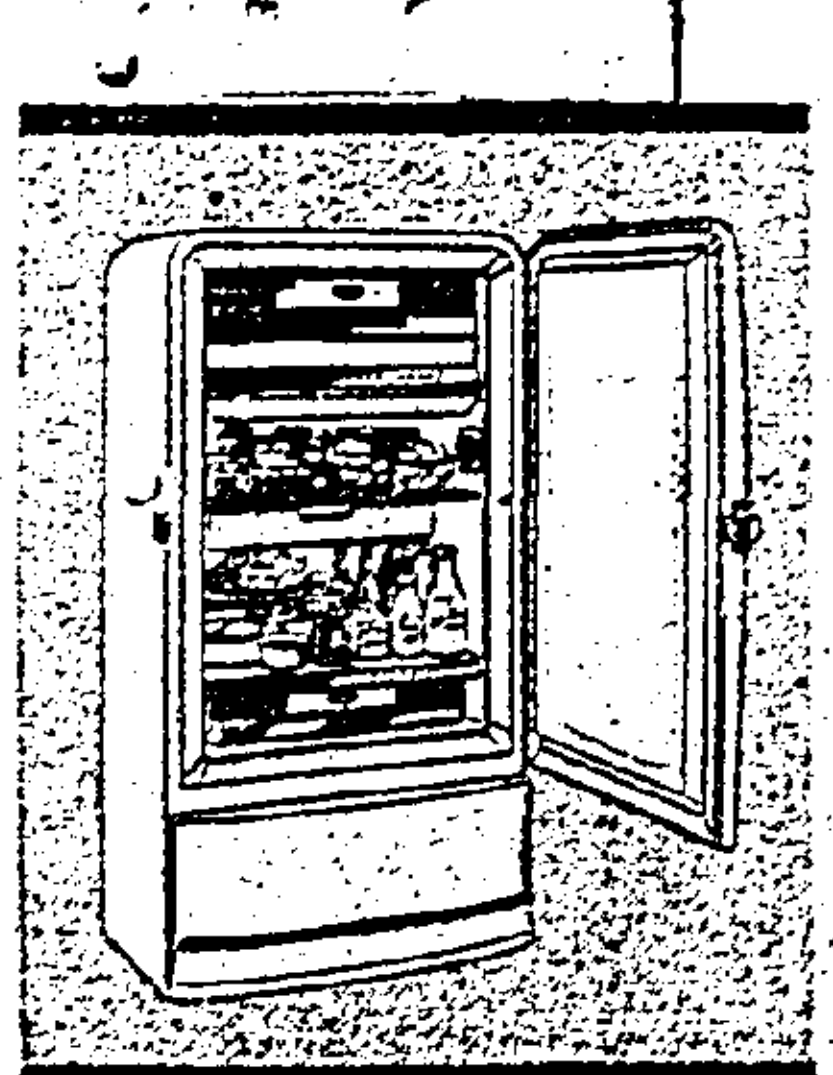
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